ROUND 18

PERTH GLORY

		PG Games	PG Goals	NSL Games	NSL Goals
1	Jason PETKOVIC	45	0	200	0
2	Robert TRAJKOVSKI	72	4	158	6
3	Jamie HARNWELL	70	9	70	9
4	Ljubo MILICEVIC	21	3	22	3
5	Vinko BULJUBASIC	59	1	146	4
6	Gareth NAVEN (c)	124	5	136	5
7	Scott MILLER	131	11	180	14
8	Brad MALONEY	12	3	249	65
9	Alistair EDWARDS	55	20	135	30
10	Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	117	48	140	58
11	Kasey WEHRMAN	29	1	81	7
12	Peter BULJAN	21	1	89	22
13	Anthony DANZE	0	0	0	0
14	Dion VALLE	29	0	29	0
15	Edgar ALDRIGHI JR	50	1	50	1
16	Damian MORI	16	11	315	159
17	Gary FARIA	13	2	13	2
18	Shane PRYCE	14	1	143	18
19	John CARBONE	38	1	38	1
20	Tony FRANKEN	39	0	278	0
21	PJ ROBERTS	3	0	40	1
22	Antonio NAGLIERI	0	0	0	0
23	Craig DEANS	22	1	58	2
24	Aaron COLE	0	0	0	0
25	Todd HARNWELL	0	0	0	0
30	Tommi TOMICH	0	0	0	0

Coach – Bernd STANGE
Dev. Manager – Mich d'AVRAY

SYDNEY UNITED

		SU Games	SU Goals	NSL Games	NSL Goals
1	Brett HUGHES	32	0	214	0
2	Elvis OLIC	9	0	9	0
3	Danny BURT	15	1	57	4
4	Velimir KUPRESAK	250	12	250	12
5	Richard PLESA	95	4	113	4
6	Vince SAVOCA	29	0	29	0
7	Ray YOUNIS	21	1	49	9
8	Paul BILOKAPIC	93	8	159	13
9	Zlatko ARAMBASIC	13	5	105	34
10	Nahuel ARRARTE	39	1	39	1
11	Tom PONDELJAK	49	4	146	33
13	Tom MARIC	33	2	33	2
14	Ante DEUR	17	3	17	3
15	Kain RASTALL	38	0	47	0
16	Aytek GENC (c)	72	10	164	35
17	Commins MENAPI	17	4	17	4
18	Franis AWARITEFE	15	4	316	121
19	Goran TALEVSKI	11	0	11	0
20	Shane WEBB	10	0	10	0
21	Steve TOLIOS	15	0	15	0
22	Terry PALAPANIS	29	0	31	0
23	Mile JEDINAK	1	0	1	0
27	Allen PICKEN	3	0	3	0
30	Matthew ZEC	35	2	35	2

Coach – Alan HUNTER
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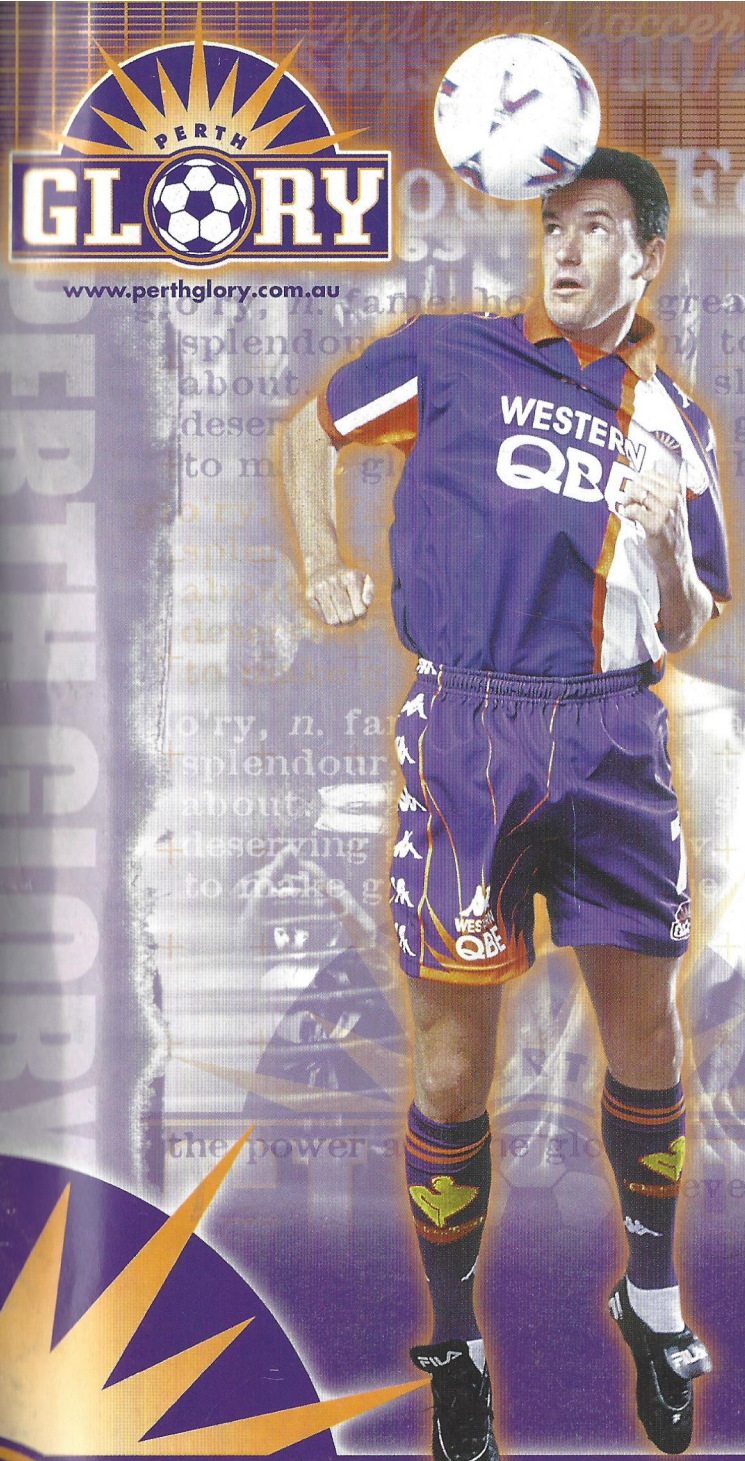

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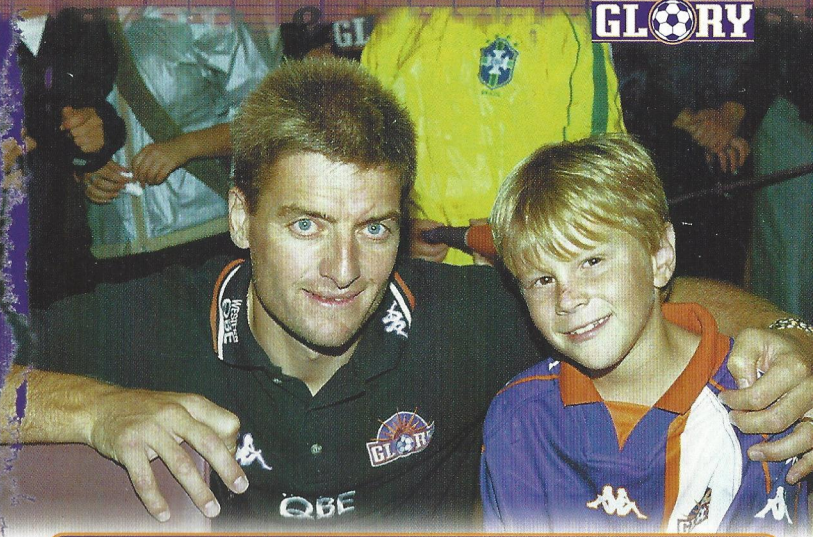

Thomas Culluns celebrated his birthday at the last home game against Wollongong Wolves.

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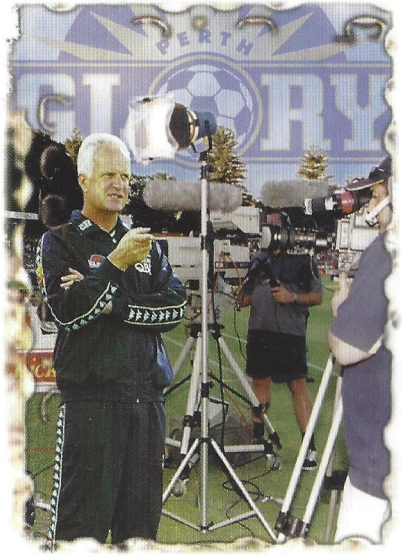

Congratulations to Perth Glory for initiating the move and to Channel 7 for coming to the party with the deal that will see five of the Glory's remaining home-and-away fixtures broadcast on free-to-air TV. Special acknowledgement should also go to four of the club's sponsors, Western QBE, Chicken Treat, Bank West and Swan Brewery for outlaying a considerable amount of money to financially support the move.

Cynics might suggest Channel 7 only became genuinely interested in the round-ball game once they knew they'd definitely lost their lucrative AFL rights. Fair point too - they no longer have Aussie Rules, they don't have rights to the cricket in the summer and it could be said they badly needed to associate themselves with a popular or potentially high-profile mainstream sport.

And soccer fans throughout Australia, but particularly here in WA in recent times, have been saying for years, the potential for soccer in this country is unlimited, it's a goldmine just waiting to be tapped into if it's marketed properly.

But whatever the motive and regardless of the time it's taken, the news every soccer fan has been waiting for has arrived. Now it's up to supporters in this state to show the action was warranted and justify Seven's decision. It's time for soccer followers to put their money where their collective mouth is.

Of course the benefits to the code go far beyond the loyal and existing soccer fans, who will now be able to watch the Glory live on its travels.

Perhaps the most exciting aspect for the sport itself is that an entire new audience will be exposed to the game. There are a lot of people who will quite happily watch hour after hour of sport on the TV at weekends, sometimes almost regardless of what the sport actually is. And if there's a successful WA team involved, the viewing numbers will grow as we saw in last season's two televised finals games and the flow-on effects will naturally follow, ie more children playing the game, more people going to games, more money being put into the game, etc, etc.

There may be some argument over the wisdom of screening delayed, but full broadcasts, of the two home matches at 9:00pm on the night of the game. But past seasons have shown there is a very large contingent of hard-core Glory fans who will always go to Perth Oval to support the team. Sure, there may be a few hundred who will prefer to stay at home, block their ears, then watch the delayed coverage. But even then, it's not as if it will be freezing cold or pouring with rain - factors that could otherwise influence more people to stay at home and watch it on TV.

Anyway, for every one fan you might lose for that particular game, the potential is there to pick up three or four new, long-term supporters.

Not everyone can make it to Perth Oval each week, some not at all, but at least now everyone with a TV set has access to Perth Glory in particular and soccer in general.

It's fantastic news but, like fans of all sports, soccer supporters like to know what's happening in the rest of the league. Would it be too much to expect the weekly NSL highlights package to be moved from its current timeslot - 12:25am on Tuesday?

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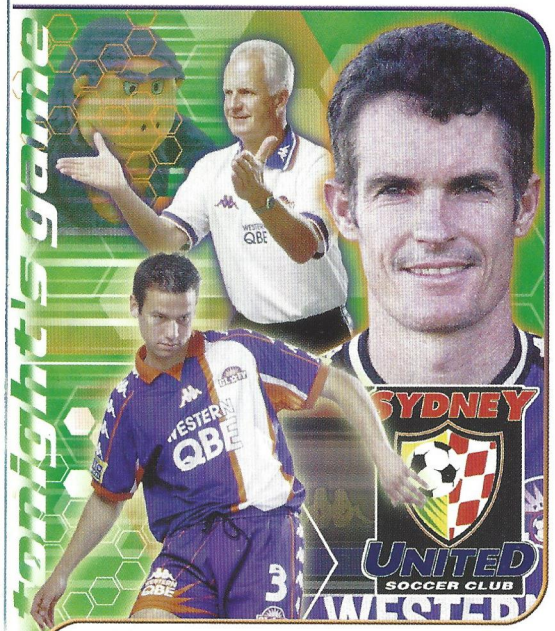

Tonight's visitor, Sydney United, can certainly lay claim to the title of the Jekyll and Hyde team of the NSL.

It won only five times last season when finishing bottom of the ladder with 20 points from 34 games, but is already a six-time winner this season after 17 games and was top of the heap for four weeks after making a stunning start.

The team that has been nicknamed Bravehearts dropped to 11th spot after 13 fixtures, but has surged in recent weeks, winning three of its last four matches, including a gutsy 2-1 triumph over Adelaide City Force last Sunday to move to seventh.

United beat the Glory 2-1 in Sydney in October...Francis Awaritefe got the late winner after Jamie Harnwell had equalised an early goal by Zlatko Arambasic...but has not tasted much success in its travels to Perth, winning only once in four visits with a 2-0 triumph in the 1997/98 season.

But what a win that was. United dug deep when defender Richard Plesa was sent off after 10 minutes and clinched the victory when former Socceroos striker Abbas Saad scored twice within three minutes just before half-time. Interestingly, giant keeper Zeljko Kalac (now with Dutch side Roda) played for the visitors that day.

Those were heady days for United. The astute Branko Culina was the coach and the team romped away with the minor premiership, but lost the grand final to Brisbane Strikers.

Plesa is still in the team, but he's about the only survivor after United lost most of its players last season when coach David Mitchell moved to Parramatta Power and the majority of the playing staff went with him.

Mitchell had taken United to the grand final in the 1998/99 season, beating the Glory 2-1 in the preliminary final before losing 3-2 to South Melbourne in the decider.

The Glory dominated early in that preliminary battle, played at Marconi Stadium in Sydney, but United deservedly clinched the prize with goals from Mile Sterjovski and Joel Griffiths. Con Boutsianis was Perth's scorer, a few minutes before keeper Tony Franken was sent off for handling the ball outside his area.

Former ABC commentator Alan Hunter has taken the coaching reins this season and has made more than a decent fist of it. He's got a mixture of youngsters and experienced players like Arambasic and Awaritefe, plus the talented Tom Pondeljak, who was previously with Melbourne Knights.

The Glory won the corresponding fixture 2-0 last season with goals from Alistair Edwards and Ivan Ergic. But its best win over United came in Sydney two years ago when it came back from two down to triumph 4-3. Edwards also scored that day along with Michael Garcia and Boutsianis, who got two.

By Mel Moffat
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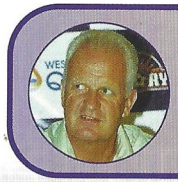
The Coaches' Thoughts On Tonight's Big Match:



Bernd STANGE: : "After two draws in a row, we are anxious for a home win and revenge for our last defeat in Sydney."

Alan HUNTER: "Perth will prove our test for further success. Our best will only be enough and should we continue our building against quality teams, the fans will be the winners."

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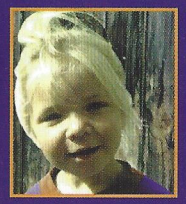

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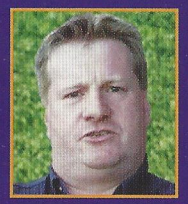
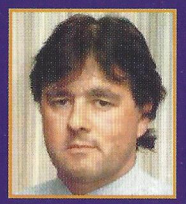
Guest Tipper
Perth Glory 1-0



Bob Figg
Perth Glory 2-1



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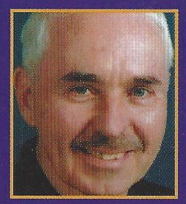

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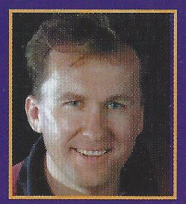
Perth Glory 3-0



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Perth Glory 2-1

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LAST ROUND IN REVIEW

SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 PERTH GLORY 1

South Melbourne remain unbeaten since Round 2 following a 1-1 draw with Perth Glory in this top-of-the-table clash. In a first half that failed to live up to expectations, both defences were generally in control. Former Perth favourite Vas Kalogeracos went closest for the home side but Jason Petkovic, playing his 200th NSL match, snuffed out the danger, while Bobby Despotovski had the Glory's best opportunities. Immediately after the break, Ljubo Milicevic was harshly ruled to have fouled Andy Vlahos in the area but Paul Trimboli blazed high and wide from the spot. However, Con Boutsianis made it 1-0 moments later, driving the ball inside the far post from a tight angle. But Jamie Harnwell equalised two minutes later, heading Kasey Wehrman's pin-point cross past Michael Petkovic.

PARRAMATTA POWER 1 MELBOURNE KNIGHTS 3

A hat-trick by veteran striker Adrian Cervinski gave the Knights their seventh win of the season and saw them move into the top six for the first time since Round 2. The game was only 35 seconds old when Cervinski scored his first after a mistake by David Lee allowed him to nip in and slide the ball past Les Pogliacomi in the Power goal. Parramatta came back strongly and only a string of impressive saves by Lupce Acevski ensured the Knights led at the break. An unmarked Cervinski made it 2-0 after 68 minutes when he drove a low shot into the bottom corner. Milan Blagojevic gave the Power some hope, heading past Acevski with five minutes remaining, but Cervinski put the result beyond doubt seconds later, beating Pogliacomi at the second attempt to complete his hat-trick.

SYDNEY UNITED 2 ADELAIDE CITY FORCE 1

Sydney United's mid-season revival gathered momentum with a vital win against Adelaide. Two goals to Commins Menapi proved the difference in the end, but the Bravehearts were made to work hard for the three points after Scott Tunbridge pulled one back for the visitors with 17 minutes remaining. In scorching heat, veterans Zlatko Arambasic and Tom Pondeljak provided the fuel for United and it was Arambasic's teasing cross after 28 minutes that led to the opening goal, with Menapi showing a cool head to beat Adrian Cagalj. The same combination did the trick four minutes after the break with Arambasic drawing the Adelaide keeper before sliding the ball across for his teammate to tap in. The home side missed several chances to increase their lead but, despite Tunbridge's late effort, they managed to hold on.

CANBERRA COSMOS 1 MARCONI STALLIONS 2

Marconi overcame hot and oppressive conditions to beat a sloppy Canberra Cosmos side at Bruce Stadium. The home team started brightly and the club's top scorer, Jon Angelucci, tested David Aceski in the Stallion's goal early on. But after 34 minutes, a defensive lapse led to Royce Brownlie opening the scoring for Marconi. Milton Cortes failed to collect a pass from Hiroshi Miyazawa and the Japanese defender turned his back in disgust, allowing the ball to be crossed to Kris Trajanovski, who set up the teenager. Six minutes later, Trajanovski got on the scoresheet himself, beating Angelo Konstantinou after being left in acres of room. Naoki Imaya gave the Cosmos some hope when he capitalised on a perfect pass from Cortes to beat Aceski, but despite a couple of close calls, Marconi held on for all three points.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 2 NORTHERN SPIRIT 1

Sydney Olympic climbed to second place on the ladder with a 2-1 win against the troubled Northern Spirit, despite playing most of the second half with 10 men after playmaker Kresimir Marusic was sent off for continued dissent. Things looked good for the visitors early on when former Olympic star Gabriel Mendez tucked away Ben Burgess' cutback to make it 1-0. But teenager Dylan MacAllister levelled proceedings after half an hour when he finished well from Marusic's cross. Then on the stroke of half-time, Pablo Cardozo grabbed what turned out to be the winning goal when he benefited from a pin-point centre from Elias Augerinos, another of Olympic's talented young guns, to fire the ball past a helpless Paul Henderson and continue the Spirit's alarming slide down the table.

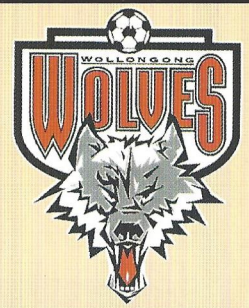
BRISBANE STRIKERS 0 NEWCASTLE UNITED 0

Just over 1,000 spectators braved torrential rain to see the Strikers make their debut at Ballymore and they wouldn't have been too happy with the outcome as they watched their team share a 0-0 draw with fellow strugglers Newcastle. To add to Brisbane's woes, midfielder Peter Dwyer was sent off early in the second half. Dwyer himself had only come on as a substitute when Nick Meredith was forced to leave the field and was subsequently taken to hospital after being elbowed in the neck. The home side dominated the match and apart from close efforts by Peter Grierson and Peter Buljan - on loan from Perth Glory - they twice had strong claims for a penalty for handball turned down. But the dismissal of Dwyer allowed United to get back into the game and in the end, the Strikers were left to rue missed chances.

EASTERN PRIDE 1 FOOTBALL KINGZ 3

The Football Kingz continued their recent good form and made it three wins on the trot with a comfortable victory against the hapless Eastern Pride. The home side enjoyed more possession but couldn't turn their territorial advantage into a scoreboard one, with Robbie Puca and John Hutchinson having the best chances. A mistake by the Pride's keeper Bojo Jevdjevic allowed Dennis Ibrahim to pounce and score the Kingz' opener after 27 minutes. Aaron Lines doubled the margin four minutes after the break, cutting a swathe through the Pride defence, before tapping past Jevdjevic. Then Paul Urlovic headed his side's third after more good work from Lines. Ange Motsiopoulos got one back for the home team with a well-taken goal after 71 minutes, but a series of brilliant saves from Jevdjevic prevented any further goals.

WOLLONGONG WOLVES BYE 3-0 WIN



NSL STATISTICS

LEAGUE TABLE AND FIXTURES

LEAGUE TABLE AFTER ROUND 17

TEAM	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
South Melbourne*	17	10	5	1	33	10	38	+23
Sydney Olympic*	17	9	3	4	27	15	33	+12
Perth Glory*	17	8	5	3	37	17	32	+20
Marconi Stallions *	17	8	5	3	27	16	32	+11
Wollongong Wolves**	15	7	4	2	31	17	31	+14
Melbourne Knights*	17	7	3	6	32	27	27	+5
Sydney United*	17	6	5	5	24	26	26	–2
Parramatta Power*	17	7	1	8	27	24	25	+3
Adelaide City Force*	16	6	2	7	25	28	23	–3
Football Kingz*	17	5	4	7	25	27	22	–2
Canberra Cosmos**	17	4	3	8	28	28	21	0
Northern Spirit*	16	4	4	7	19	19	19	0
Brisbane Strikers*	17	3	5	8	26	31	17	–5
Newcastle United*	17	2	7	7	14	28	16	–14
Eastern Pride*	17	1	4	11	19	30	10	–11

* Already awarded a 3-0 win bye due to Carlton's withdrawal.

FIXTURES THIS ROUND

Fri 09-Feb-01	Northern Spirit	V	Eastern Pride	North Sydney Oval
Fri 09-Feb-01	Newcastle United	V	Football Kingz	Marathon Stadium
Fri 09-Feb-01	Adelaide City Force	V	Sydney Olympic	Hindmarsh Stadium
Sat 10-Feb-01	Brisbane Strikers	V	Parramatta Power	Ballymore
Sat 10-Feb-01	Marconi Stallions	V	Wollongong Wolves	Marconi Stadium
Sun 11-Feb-01	Melbourne Knights	V	Canberra Cosmos	Knights Stadium
	South Melbourne		BYE	

FIXTURES NEXT ROUND

Fri 16-Feb-01	Football Kingz	V	Northern Spirit	Ericsson Stadium
Sat 17-Feb-01	Canberra Cosmos	V	Brisbane Strikers	TBA
Sat 17-Feb-01	Wollongong Wolves	V	Melbourne Knights	WIN Stadium
Sat 17-Feb-01	Eastern Pride	V	Adelaide City Force	Mobil Park
Sun 18-Feb-01	Parramatta Power	V	Newcastle United	Parramatta Stadium
Sun 18-Feb-01	South Melbourne	V	Marconi Stallions	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun 18-Feb-01	Sydney Olympic	V	Perth Glory	Belmore Sports Ground
	Sydney United		BYE	

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LEADING GOALSCORERS

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NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE'S LEADING GOALSCORERS

Player	Club	Last Week	Total
Damian MORI	Perth Glory	-	11
Archie THOMPSON	Carlton/Marconi Stallions	-	10
Ben BURGESS	Northern Spirit	-	9
Joe MILLER	Parramatta Power	-	9
Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	Perth Glory	-	8
Adrian CERVINSKI	Melbourne Knights	3	7
Scott CHIPPERFIELD	Wollongong Wolves	-	7
Andy VLAHOS	South Melbourne	-	7

PERTH GLORY'S LEADING GOALSCORERS

Player	Last Week	Total
Damian MORI	-	11
Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	-	8
Jamie HARNWELL	1	4

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CROWD COMPARISON

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE CROWD COMPARISON

Round 17 (2000/2001)	**29,695**
Round 17 (1999/2000)	**44,133**
Cumulative after Round 17 (2000/2001)	**631,470**
Cumulative after Round 17 (1999/2000)	**738,837**

PERTH GLORY HOME CROWD COMPARISON

Perth Glory v Sydney United (1999/2000)	**10,265**
Perth Glory v Sydney United BEST CROWD (1997/98)	**17,764**

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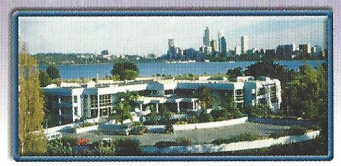

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BOUND FOR GLORY

Date	Opponents	H/A	F-A	Att	1 Jason PETKOVIC	2 Rob TRAJKOVSKI	3 Jamie HARNWELL	4 Ljubo MILICEVIC	5 Vinko BULJUBASIC	6 Gareth NAVEN	7 Scott MILLER	8 Brad MALONEY	9 Alistair EDWARDS	10 Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	11 Kasey WEHRMAN	12 Peter BULJAN	13 Anthony DANZE	14 Dion VALLE	15 Edgar JUNIOR	16 Damian MORI	17 Gary FARIA	18 Shane PRYCE	19 John CARBONE	20 Tony FRANKEN	21 PJ ROBERTS	22 Antonio NAGLIERI	23 Craig DEANS	25 Todd HARNWELL
Sat 14 Oct	Wollongong Wolves	A	1-1	5443			14	S						Y1					Y	1								
Sat 21	South Melbourne	H	1-0	14081		R						12		1	Y					Y	S							
Sun 29	Sydney United	A	1-2	5483		X	1				12	12		Y	Y	S							S					
Sat 4 Nov	Sydney Olympic	H	1-1	12894		X		S						1	Y	S			Y	12	4							
Sat 11	Eastern Pride	A	3-2	1846						12	Y	1				S				12		1	S					
Sat 18	Football Kingz	H	5-1	11909		12	14					12		Y12	Y	S		S		3	S							
Fri 24	Northern Spirit	A	0-2	5764					Y12							S					S							
Sat 2 Dec	Adelaide City Force	H	2-0	10912			Y				14			12		S		S					Y21		S			
Sun 10	Newcastle United	H	4-0	11873		14	Y1				Y			Y12		S		S	21				Y		S			
Bye	Carlton	A	3-0																									
Sat 23	Marconi Stallions	H	0-1	13813								21	S	X		S		S	Y	14			Y		S			
Sat 30	Melbourne Knights	A	1-1	4871				Y1			Y																	
Sat 6 Jan	Brisbane Strikers	H	7-2	11942				14			14		S	1				S	Y2	4	1		S					
Fri 12	Parramatta Power	A	3-2	5071	Y	23						S	18	13	1				X	1			S				S	
Sat 20	Canberra Cosmos	H	3-0	13277	Y	3					Y	Y3	S	1						1	1	9	S					
Sat 27	Wollongong Wolves	H	1-1	16019		3	1			S	X	Y3	6								15		S					
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Sat 14	Melbourne Knights	H																										
Sun 22	Brisbane Strikers	A																										
Wed 25	Parramatta Power	H																										
Sun 29	Canberra Cosmos	A																										
	Perth Glory Appearances				45	72	70	21	59	124	131	12	55	117	29	21	0	29	50	16	13	14	38	39	3	0	22	
	Perth Glory Goals				0	4	9	3	1	5	11	3	20	48	1	1	0	0	1	11	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	
	NSL Appearances				200	158	70	22	146	136	180	249	135	140	81	89	0	29	50	315	13	143	38	278	40	0	58	
	NSL Goals				0	6	9	3	4	5	14	65	30	58	7	22	0	0	1	159	2	18	1	0	1	0	2	

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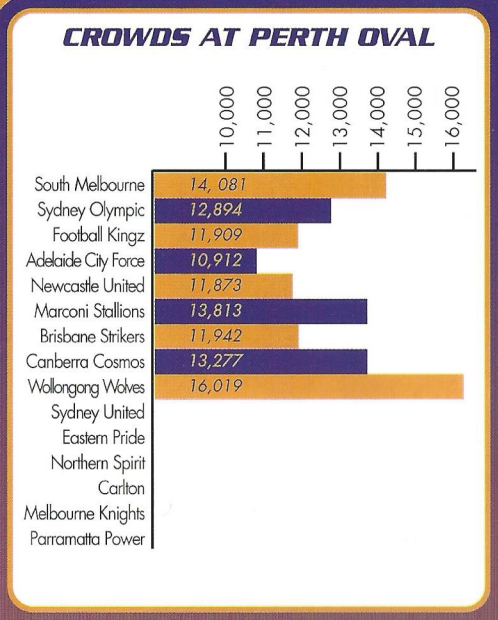

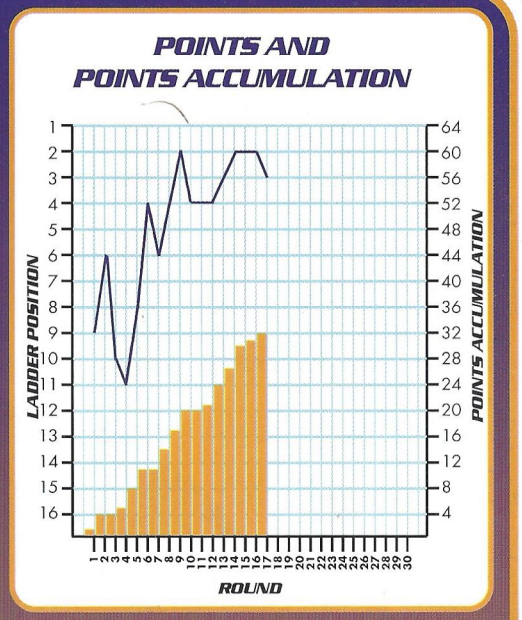

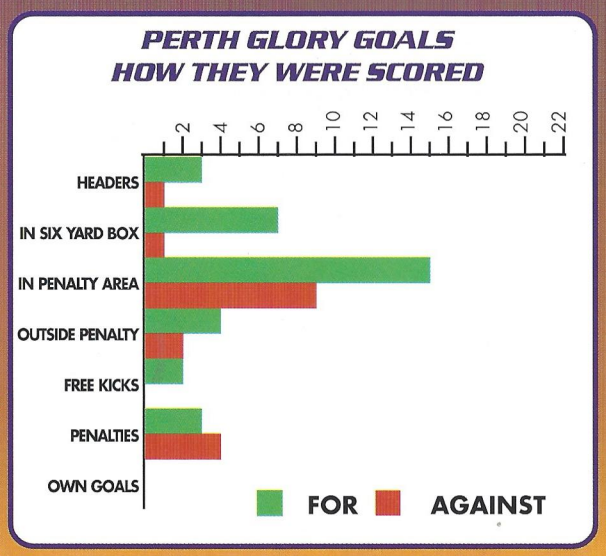

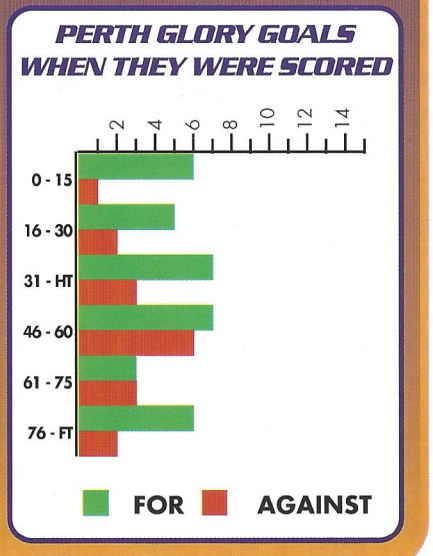

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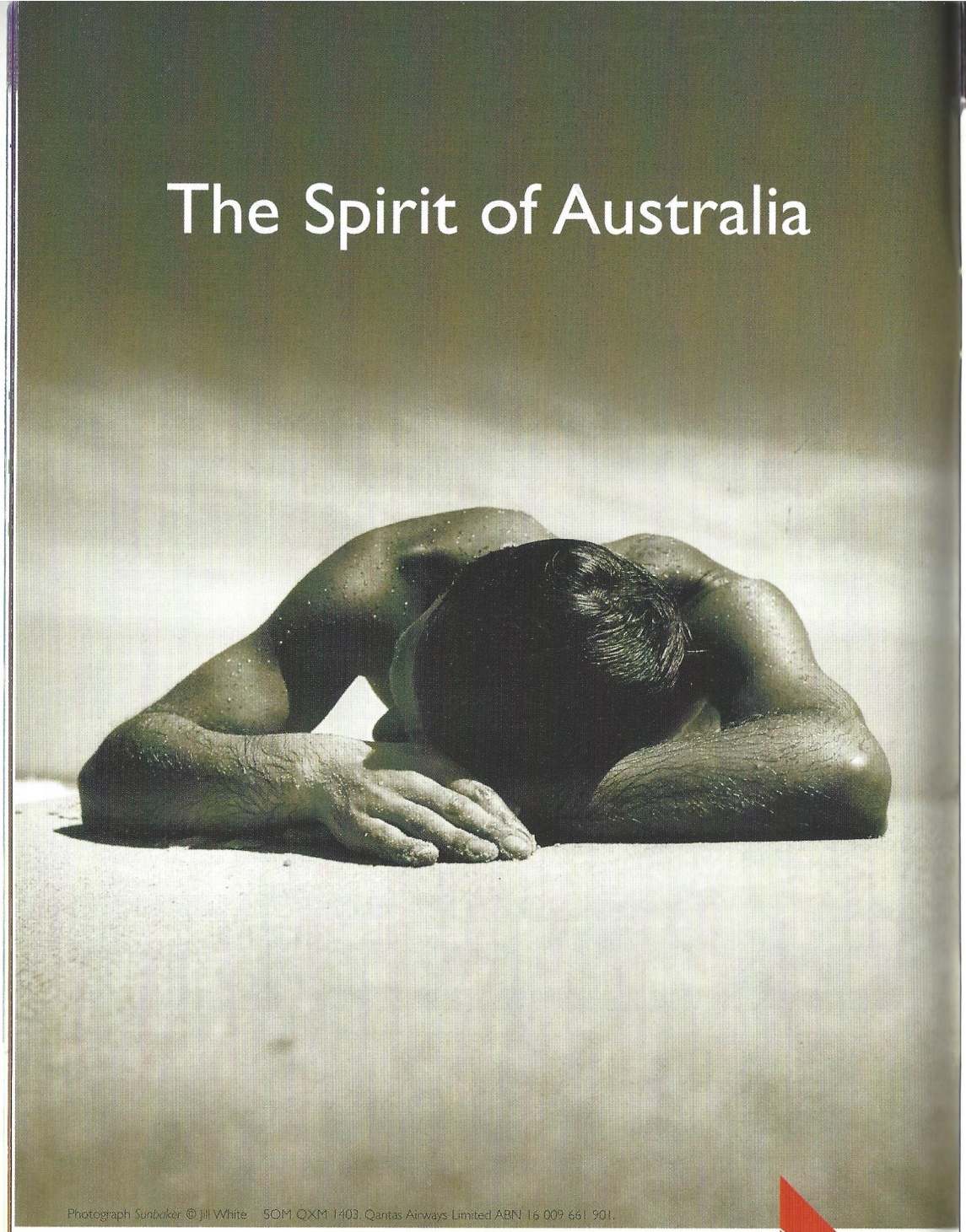

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SYDNEY UNITED

CLUB HISTORY

The Sydney Croatia sports club was formed in 1957 and developed its soccer team one year later. The club was originally formed to provide a haven for Croatian migrants who had chosen to make Australia their home, but soon became much more than just a social establishment. Croatia entered the NSW first division in 1963 with a squad containing many imported players from all over Europe and South America. Yet Croatia was also developing a strong youth team structure - one that eventually reaped many rewards. Croatia won five NSW championships before joining the NSL in 1984. By 1988 they reached their first NSL grand final. Their star-studded 1988 team included Tony Franken, Craig Foster, Graham Arnold and Robbie Slater. Renamed Sydney United in 1993, the club has continued to be an important breeding ground for the national teams. Socceroos Mark Bosnich, Zeljko Kalac and Tony Popovic learned their trade through the Sydney United youth ranks, while 2000 Olyroo squad members Mile Sterjovski and Jacob Burns, both now plying their trade in Europe, came to prominence playing for United in the late 1990s. A rather youthful and relatively inexperienced Sydney United made the 1998/99 grand final, losing 3-2 to South Melbourne. A lack of finances did not enable the club to keep many of the 1998/99 squad, and a lot of the current team were recruited from the local state leagues and the United youth ranks, with a sprinkling of experienced campaigners coming on board this season.

Major signings: Zlatko Arambasic (Olympic), Francis Awaritefe (Stallions), Richard Plesa (Power), Francis Wasi and Commins Menapi (Solomon Islands), Goran Talevski (Canberra Deakin), Igor Ilecic (Dinamo Zagreb), Danny Burt
Major losses: Ante Moric (Olympic), Fernando Pelligrino, Nick Bosevski

HEAD-TO-HEAD RECORD (ALL NSL MATCHES)

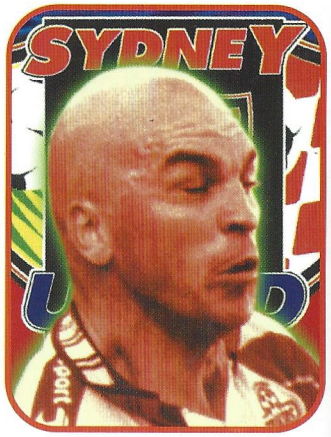
v Opponent	P	W	D	L	F	A	Best result	Worst result
v Adelaide City Force	35	12	12	11	41	43	3-1	0-4
v Brisbane Strikers	25	15	5	5	38	25	4-0	0-4
v Canberra Cosmos	12	7	4	1	30	13	7-2	0-3
v Carlton	7	2	2	3	9	13	3-1	0-4
v Eastern Pride	18	6	8	4	21	16	4-0	0-2
v Football Kingz	3	1	1	1	3	3	2-1	0-1
v Marconi Stallions	41	13	13	15	52	60	3-0	0-5
v Melbourne Knights	32	8	9	15	43	58	6-1	1-6
v Newcastle	18	7	3	8	21	22	3-0	1-3
v Northern Spirit	6	4	0	2	7	8	2-1	0-3
v Parramatta Power	5	1	1	3	5	10	1-0	0-4
v Perth Glory	10	4	1	5	15	17	4-2	0-2
v South Melbourne	36	16	5	15	43	48	4-1	0-4
v Sydney Olympic	37	12	9	16	50	51	5-0	0-5
v Wollongong Wolves	36	21	7	8	61	34	5-1	2-5

PERTH GLORY V SYDNEY UNITED PREVIOUS RESULTS

1996/97	In Sydney	United	4	Glory	2
	In Perth	Glory	3	United	1
1997/98	In Perth	Glory	0	United	2
	In Sydney	United	0	Glory	0
1998/99	In Perth	Glory	3	United	1
	In Sydney	United	3	Glory	4
Elimination Final	In Sydney	United	2	Glory	1
1999/2000	In Sydney	United	0	Glory	1
	In Perth	Glory	2	United	0

COACH PROFILE
Alan Hunter

Coaching career - National Soccer League			W-D-L
2000/01	Sydney United	17	07-05-05
TOTAL NSL		**17**	**07-05-05**



Five facts about Alan Hunter

- Born in Northern Ireland, came through the Acacia Ridge (Brisbane) junior ranks
- Played 343 games and scored 54 goals in the NSL for the Brisbane Lions, Heidelberg, Sydney United, Parramatta Eagles, Brisbane Strikers and Carlton, between 1983 and 1997
- Played 10 games and scored one goal for the Socceroos between 1986 and 1988
- Won one NSL championship as a player with Brisbane Strikers in 1996/97
- Played for NSW state league club Manly in 1999

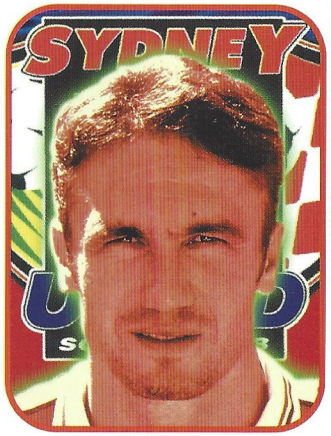
CAPTAIN PROFILE
Aytek Genc

Playing career - National Soccer League

Seasons	Club	Games	Goals
1985	Marconi Stallions	1	0
1989/90-92/93	Parramatta Eagles	91	15
1995/96-99/01	Sydney United	72	10
TOTAL NSL		**164**	**25**

Playing career - other clubs

Seasons	Club	Country
1995-1998	Johor	Malaysia

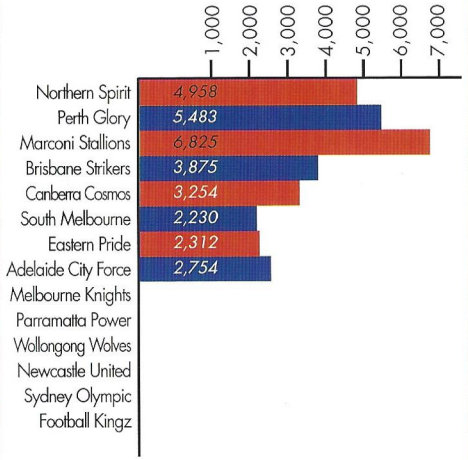


Five facts about Aytek Genc

- Raised in Sydney
- Also played at New South Wales state league clubs Bankstown and Penrith Uruguay
- New South Wales state team representative
- Played three games and scored one goal for the Soceroos between 1991 and 1997
- Played for Australia against AC Milan in Melbourne in 1993

SYDNEY UNITED

CROWDS AT SYDNEY UNITED SPORTS CENTRE



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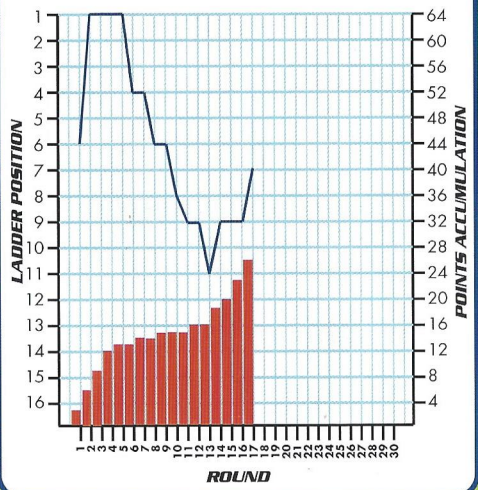


SYDNEY UNITED FORM GUIDE

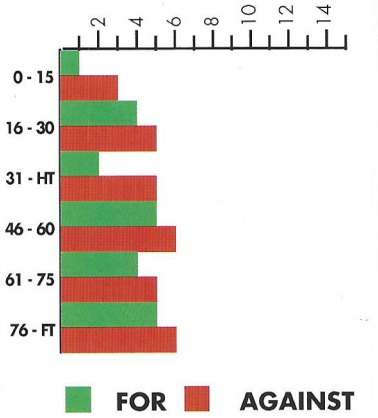
Last five results:

Rnd 17 v Adelaide City Force (H)	- Won 2-1
Rnd 16 v Northern Spirit (A)	- Won 2-1
Rnd 15 v Football Kingz (A)	- Drew 1-1
Rnd 14 v Eastern Pride (H)	- Won 1-0
Rnd 13 v Newcastle United (A)	- Drew 1-1

LEADING GOALSCORERS THIS SEASON

Zlatko Arambasic	6
Francis Awaritefe	4
Commins Menapi	4

SYDNEY UNITED GOALS WHEN THEY WERE SCORED



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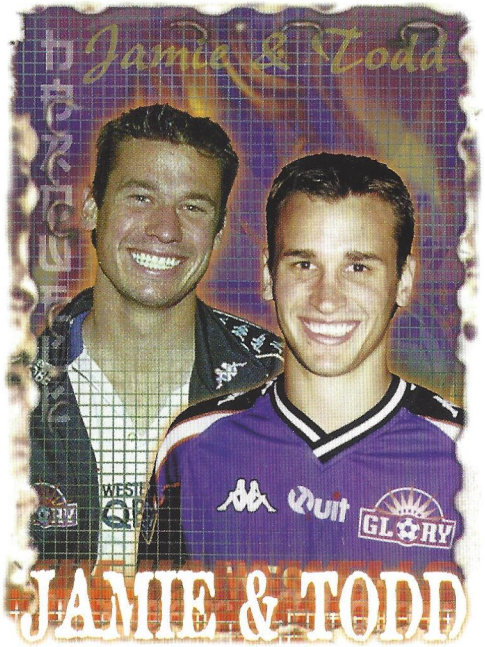


First it was the Naven twins, Gareth and Craig, then Marc and Dale Wingell, followed by Scott and Troy Halpin. Now the Glory has its fourth set of brothers with Todd joining older sibling Jamie in the club's ranks.

Jamie has been in great form this season and goals against Wollongong and South Melbourne have added to his reputation as a danger at the opposition's end of the pitch as well being adept at snuffing out attacks on the Glory's goal. Todd's impressive training track performances have now secured him a deal with the Glory. The Harnwell brothers spoke to Bob Figg about sibling rivalry and a family that loves its football.

Jamie, a big moment for the family when Todd signed up?
Yeah, we've been waiting for it for a while, he's been on trial for some time so it finally came through and it was a big relief all round.

And Todd, presumably for you a relief and quite exciting as well?
Oh definitely, it's been a long time as Jamie said and it's good to finally get out there and be able to be part of the Glory.

Todd gets to wear the proper shirt now Jamie; does it change the attitude of the other players once you stop being a triallist?
Todd's been here for that long now, he was part of the team even before he did sign up, that's how they were talking about him.

And what was your feeling on that Todd, do you think there's a higher level of acceptance?
The guys have been pretty friendly to me all round, it hasn't made much difference now I've got a different colour shirt on, it's been pretty cruisy all round.

Jamie, what's the age difference?
Two and half years

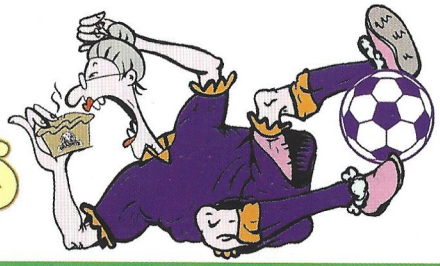
Have you always been a good brother in terms of letting him get out in the back garden and help you practice?
It's always been very competitive, watching my Dad play when we were younger and we had the ball out the back of the goals and having a kick about there. There were always a few tackles going in. I think that's where I learned to tackle!

Todd, do you reckon he was pretty good in terms of encouraging you?
Oh yeah, he's always been an inspiration playing for the Glory and someone to look up to. He's always helped me out whenever he could.

And what's the playing history for both of you?
Jamie: I had bit of a wander through Kingsway Olympic and Inglewood as well but apart from that I was with Sorrento.

And Todd, what age did you start at?
I started when I was four or five and I played at Sorrento all the way through and finally broke into the team, so I've been with Sorrento all the time.

SCORE WITH A GRANNY'S PIE



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Jamie, in terms of your progress, does having a brother coming up in the ranks motivate you?
It does motivate me I suppose to try and take that next step. Now that he's come here, I've got to try and go one step further.

Todd, for you having someone to look up to, is that someone to set your standard by?
Oh yeah, I played with Jamie at Sorrento and hopefully if I do well in the next year or so I might I might be able to get to play with Jamie at the Glory.

Jamie, your development by NSL standards has been pretty rapid. You're now one of the team leaders but you've not been around that long in football terms.
No, I suppose, this is my third season at NSL so it has not by any means been a long time but I feel very comfortable in the role I play now. I think the way I am playing is the best I have been playing so far.

Todd, you used to play up front for Sorrento so you would have been the goalscorer in the family.
I was at one stage but Jamie seems to have taken that role over now with a few goals. I might have to get out there and show what I can do.

Did you keep comparisons, you know, were you in there saying I've got 10 and you've only got a couple?
No there was no comparison. I always beat him when we were playing at Sorrento but now he has got a couple up on me.

And Jamie, how far ahead of Todd are you in the scoring charts now?
That's eight or nine I think. I only worry about this season, I'm not too worried about the previous seasons.

You must be pleased with the way they're going in. This season in particular it's been tremendous.
Yeah absolutely, it took me a while to get the monkey off my back last year and I didn't start scoring until halfway through the season so it's good to get on a roll now and it can only be good for the team.

Todd, in terms of your place within the squad, are you aiming at one particular position?
My main position has always been on the right side, so the right wing-back role I would hope, maybe, I might get a few starts next year. That would be my main position I guess.

Jamie, your Mum and Dad, Derek and Kay, must have been busy?
Yeah. They've been a big influence. They come and watch every game and there must a few around who know they are our Mum and Dad because of the amount of noise they make.

And Todd, what about the parental taxi driving, with the age gap between you they must have been off to Mundaring for one game and Rockingham for the next?
Yeah, Mum and Dad always tried to be fair and come and watch us evenly, with Dad watching me one week and Mum the next so it was all pretty evenly distributed.

And what about the future Jamie, you had the trial with Stockport and got an injury, is that something still in the back of your mind?
Anything I do now, I'm doing for the Glory, but if I have a good season here it can't harm my chances of going back overseas.

Todd, your ambition presumably is to break into the NSL with the Glory?
Definitely. I'll be with Sorrento for the next few months and if things go my way I might break in at the end of this season or next season.

What about the trophy cabinet at home, who's got the most? Jamie:
I probably have from Sorrento but it's not something my Dad put a lot of faith in when he was playing and it's something he's instilled in us that it's not trophies at the end of the day, it's what you take out of the game, the memories and the people you play with.

Todd, is he just saying that because you've got more than him?
No, I've only won one trophy from Sorrento so he's got a lot more than I have!

Bob Figg

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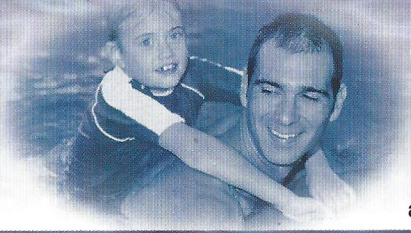

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Perth Glory fans have had their biggest win of the season with Perth Glory and Channel Seven coming to an agreement that will see three of the club's away matches shown live and two home games broadcast in full as a delayed telecast.

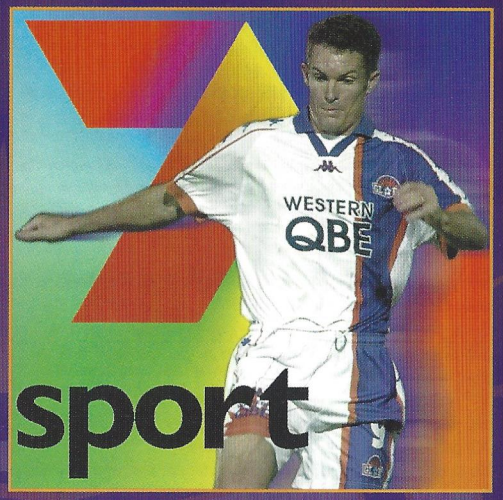
Glory General Manager Roger Lefort said the club were naturally delighted and wanted to thank four of the club's key sponsors, Western QBE, Chicken Treat, BankWest and Swan Brewery for their financial assistance.

He also praised the TV station saying: "Channel Seven have been most accommodating in making alterations to their schedules to fit in these games and it demonstrates the station's commitment to soccer."

The first match to be televised is the away clash with Sydney Olympic on Sunday February 18. Other away games to be shown live are the meetings with Newcastle United on Friday March 23 and the final game of the home-and-away season against Canberra Cosmos on Sunday April 29.

The two home games to be covered, against Northern Spirit on March 10 and Melbourne Knights on April 14, will be televised at 9:00pm on the night of the match.

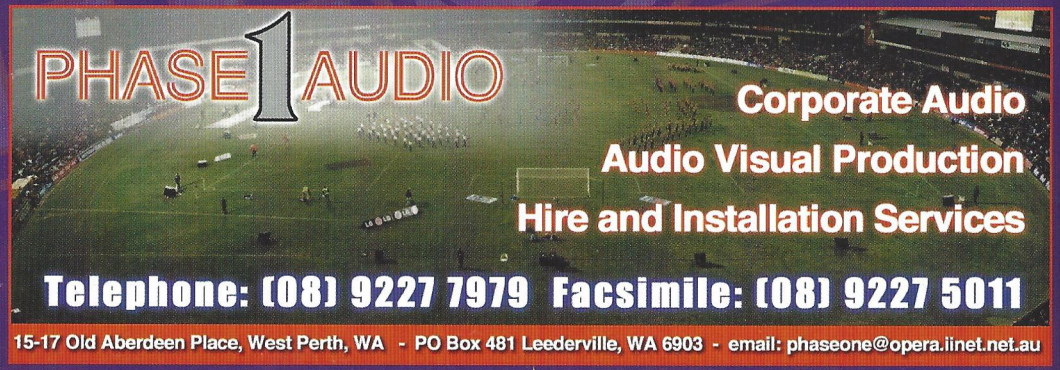
Keep an eye on your TV guide for kick-off times of the away games.



WOMEN'S SOCCER
NIGHT SERIES UP AND RUNNING

Women's Soccer WA's night series started on February 9 at Morley Windmills in Embleton. Games will be played on Friday evenings for the next seven weeks, kicking off at 6:00pm, with the grand final on March 30. Entry is by way of a gold coin donation.

Anyone wanting to play women's soccer can contact Zane Abrahams on 9458 3850 or 0407 387 269. An alternative contact is Barbara Gibson on 0429 943 830.



VINKO BULJUBASIC
WAITING FOR A CHANCE

Injuries, suspensions and absences are again testing the Glory's depth at a time when there's no room for passengers.

Perth, in third place and six points behind league leaders, South Melbourne, desperately need to win games, especially against those outside of the six to snare a spot in the top two and a direct shot at the grand final.

Teams such as Sydney United, surprise winners over last season's grand finalists at Edensor Park early in the campaign, must go the way of Canberra, Brisbane and Newcastle, all of whom suffered crippling defeats at Perth Oval.

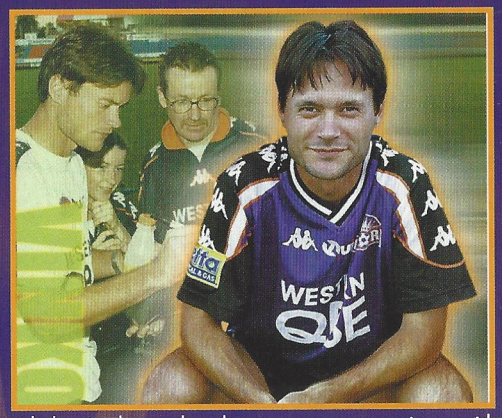
The Glory have some big names missing today, but the question is, is another - Vinko Buljubasic - about to return?

"I've been training hard, fully for the last month. Hopefully, I'll be playing this weekend," said the Glory's hard-luck story.

The crowd favourite and enigmatic libero-style sweeper was the talk of the town two years ago. His runs from deep with the ball were a catalyst behind Perth's terrific start to the 1998/99 season and with him seemed to go Perth's hopes of a flag, notwithstanding the fact they made the preliminary final, their highest finish in the competition to that point.

But it just wasn't the same. Skipper Gareth Naven was a quality replacement. Young Socceroo Ljubo Milicevic has provided the same impetus and it's easy to forget just what Buljubasic gave his fledgling team before his broken leg.

It was a hard road to recovery, itself littered with groin and hamstring injuries that he now believes are behind him. These were the result of a weakened leg placing too much strain on the



abdominal muscles, but extra gym sessions with the Glory's former fitness instructor Mirco Jelacic seems to have cured the problem.

Buljubasic said Bernd Stange and Mich d'Avray have offered encouragement and he's just waiting for the chance.

"I can say I want to play, but it's up to them," he said. "With luck I'll be involved (this weekend).

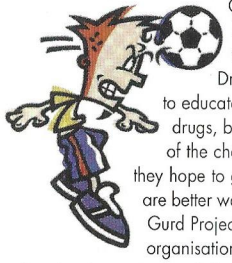
"I am frustrated, but I've got to look at the positives. It finally seems I've put the mistakes of the past behind me.

"The injuries were the result of the initial broken leg. I do two or three sessions in the gym each week and it's obviously paying dividends. It's not just about kicking a ball."

But hopefully, kicking a ball is what all Perth fans will see Buljubasic doing very soon.

George Temple
British Soccer Week

Perth Glory And Gurd On A High



One organisation Perth Glory have been working particularly closely with this season is the Alcohol and Drug Education Strategy, whose goal is to educate young people about the dangers of drugs, both legal and illegal. Through the use of the character Gurd (drug spelt backwards), they hope to get get the message across that there are better ways to get a high than by using drugs. Gurd Project Officer Andrea Richardson said the organisation was not anti-drugs, but just wanted to give teenagers and their parents as much information as possible.

"We want them to be in the situation where they can make an informed decision," she said, "and hopefully then they can make the right one."

Apart from the Gurd soccer icon, there are a number of other characters doing things such as rock-climbing, skateboarding and swimming.

"The idea is to show the young people there are so many fun ways they can get a natural high," Ms Richardson said.

Representatives from the Alcohol and Drug Education Strategy have been attending Perth Glory matches all season where they have a mobile unit set up with free pamphlets on all sorts of drugs, legal and illegal. Glory dancers also have Gurd merchandise to give away.

But it's not just at matches that the club are working with the Alcohol and Drug Education Strategy - Glory players have frequently attended functions and major events to promote the organisation and spread their message and only recently some of the players were up at Joondalup for the Gurd Summer Fun Festival which turned out to be a great promotion for all concerned.

Player Promotions For The Next Fortnight

Sun Feb 11: Two players (to be confirmed) will be at each of the following junior soccer clubs between 11:00am and midday in conjunction with their registration days; Kingsley, Noranda Wolves and Subiaco.

Wed Feb 14: : Dion Valle will be at the Guild Courtyard at Curtin University between 11:00am and midday.

Sat Feb 17 and Sun 18: Two players (to be confirmed) will be at the Tradelink Warehouse in Canning Vale between 11:00am and midday.

Wed Feb 21: Bernd Stange, Mich d'Avray and Gareth Naven will be at Parkland Mazda between 7:00pm and 8:00pm.

Thurs Feb 22: Kasey Wehrman and Bobby Despotovski will be at Traveland in Mt Lawley between 7:30pm and 8:30pm.

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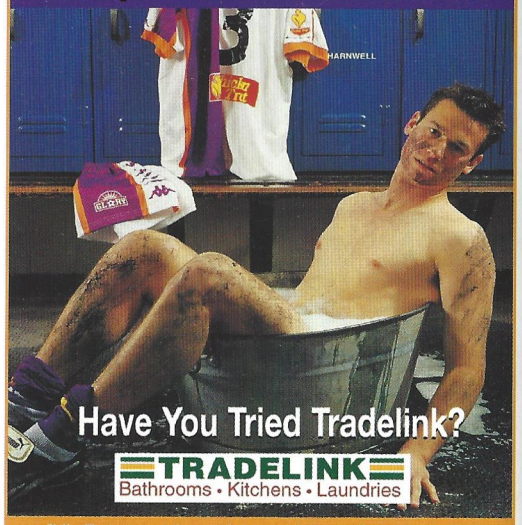

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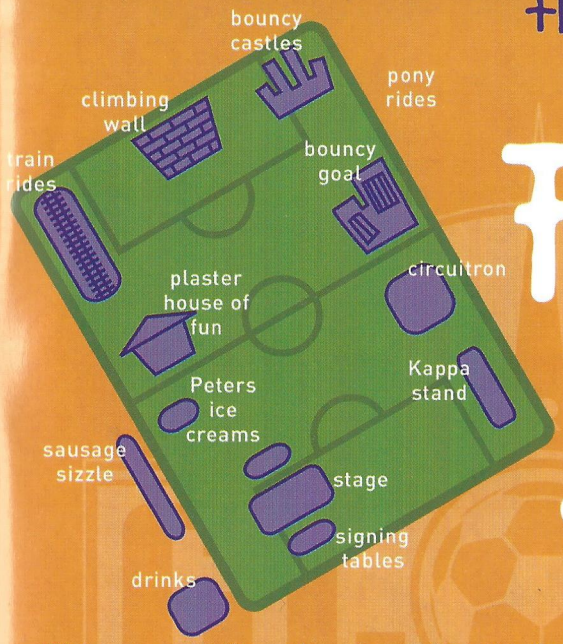

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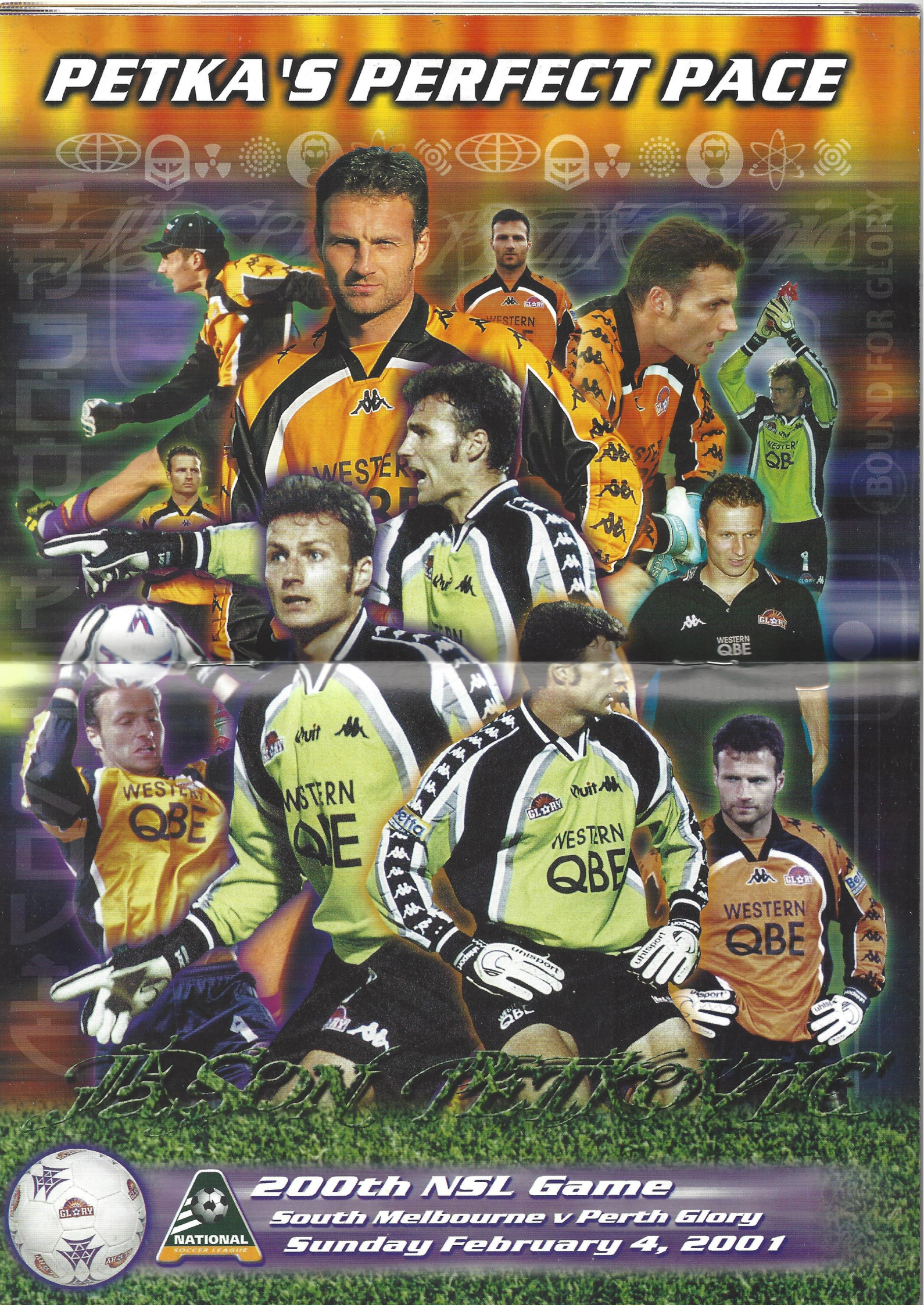


200th NSL Game

South Melbourne v Perth Glory

Sunday February 4, 2001

SHEDDING SOME LIGHT

ON THE OFFSIDE RULE

No matter where you go in the world to watch a soccer match or at what level, fans and match officials will never agree on every offside decision in the match. The pace of the game these days makes a linesman's job very difficult and it's often only a matter of inches between a player being onside and going on to score or being pulled up for offside. Even here at Perth Oval, passionate fans scream at the linesmen, adamant he's made a glaring mistake. Sometimes they are right, sometimes they are wrong, sometimes the fans aren't totally aware of the law themselves. Newcomers to the game often find the offside law the most difficult to comprehend and wonder why other fans get so worked up. Anyway, for all the newcomers and anyone else who need refreshing, this might make things a bit clearer.

Offside Position

It is not an offence in itself to be in an offside position.
A player is in an offside position if;

- he is nearer to his opponents' goal line than both the ball and the second last opponent (keeper included) at the time at which the ball is played.

A player is not in an offside position if;

- he is in his own half of the field of play or
- he is level with the second last opponent or
- he is level with the last two opponents
- he runs onto a ball after being onside when the pass was made

Offence

A player in an offside position is only penalised if, at the moment he touches the ball or it is played by one of his team, he is, in the opinion of the referee, involved in active play by;

- interfering with play or
- interfering with an opponent or
- gaining an advantage by being in that position

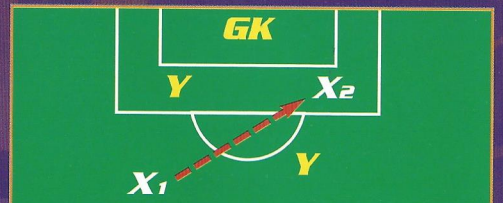
No Offence

There is no offside offence if a player receives the ball directly from;

- a goal kick or
- a throw-in or
- a corner kick

Infringements/Sanctions

For any offside offence, the referee awards an indirect free-kick to the opposing team to be taken from the place where the infringement occurred



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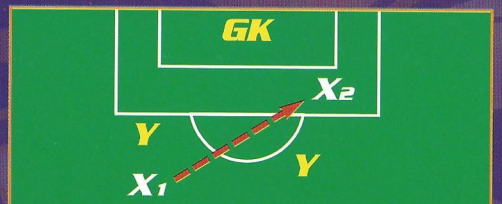
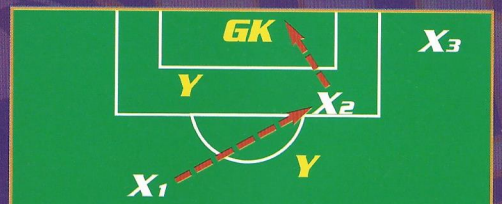


OFFSIDE - X_2 is deemed offside as he is nearer to his opponents' goal-line than at least two opponents.



NOT OFFSIDE - Although X_3 is offside, he is not involved in active play and the goal would be allowed.

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BRAD MALONEY

BIG CARROT ELUDES BUGSY

A career that began some 10 years ago with APIA Leichardt will reach a major milestone for Brad Maloney next weekend if he takes the field against Sydney Olympic.

It will be game number 250 for the man they call Bugsy, in a career which started under the tutelage of Manfred Schaeffer, when a promising 18-year-old took the field for APIA against, ironically, the Glory's nemesis Wollongong (in a previous incarnation).

Maloney didn't score but the team won and a career was launched which has taken in spells at Newcastle and Sydney Olympic and most famously of all, Marconi, for five years before a summer move to the Glory.

It hasn't been all beer and skittles and so far a Premiership medal has eluded Maloney. The closest he came was a grand final defeat against a Melbourne Knights line-up featuring Glory teammate Vinko Buljubasic.

Maloney played his junior soccer for Blacktown and that started him on a career that was to see him play for his country at Olympic and full level.

After being part of the Olyroo line-up in Barcelona, Maloney signed for Dutch first division outfit FC Den Boch. He was there three months until the curse of many Australian players, work permit problems, reared its head and it was back to the NSL.

That though is something Maloney does not regret.

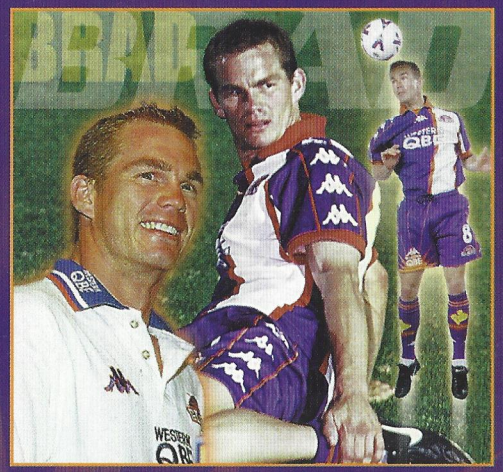
"I am quite happy plying my trade here in Australia and I am proud to say that," he explained after a stint in the pool this week.

"Now I am with the best club in the country, the pacesetter for the league and it is the setting for things to come."

Now the aim ahead is to fill that missing space in the trophy cabinet with an NSL winner's medal and Maloney thinks the team is on the right track.

"I don't think we have to change too much. We have been disappointed a couple of times when we have dropped points we would not have expected, but in games like those against South Melbourne and Wollongong away, we have picked up points which could be handy come the end of the season."

For Maloney himself, a promising start has been disrupted by injury, but he is confident that match fitness will bring a return to the form of early season.



"Now it is a case of getting back on track, but I am hoping to get back to the form I had prior to my injury.

"The match against South Melbourne was my first start in some weeks and hopefully with a few games under my belt I will be back firing again."

Maloney has also seen positives in the enforced absence of players like himself and Gareth Naven, coming in the form of replacements like Gary Faria, who have taken the chances offered to them.

Maloney's experience also tells him that the Glory might have broken the back of a tough season.

"We will have played South Melbourne, Wollongong and Sydney Olympic twice pretty early in the second half of the season," he said.

"It is good to know we have these teams out of the way and we are still there and thereabouts."

Maloney will enjoy his 250th appearance but you get the impression he would savour a real tilt at the title even more.

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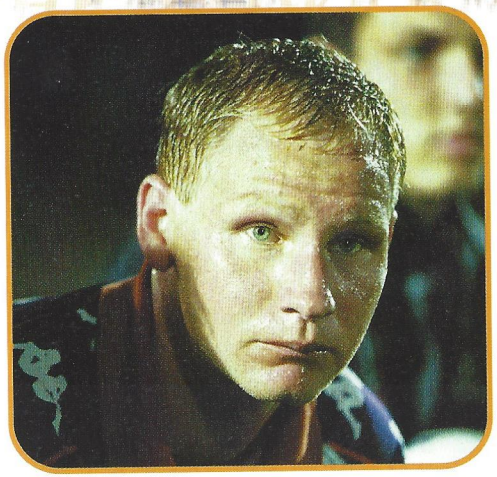
EDGAR JUNIOR

MORE THAN JUST A GRASP OF SOCCER



Edgar Aldrighi Junior is not your traditional boy from Brazil. He's solid more than flashy, quietly dependable more than fiery...Latin players usually have short fuses...and has blond hair rather than the more common darker locks.

Interestingly, when Perth Glory signed the player, now affectionately known simply as Eddy to his teammates, in September, 1999, this is what coach Bernd Stange had to say about him:

"He has excellent touch and vision and he makes not many mistakes. I think he is a team player. He has good technical skills and he can help us. His quality in defence is very, very good.

"Edgar told me he can play each position in the midfield, but his favourite position is defence-midfielder. He plays the same position as Dunga in the Brazil national team...this is his quality. He is a good passer and has a good shot."

Stange was spot on, although the player's shooting ability has been restricted to only one goal so far. But Edgar has been a boon to the Glory...so much so, that the club didn't hesitate when offering him a two-year contract following his initial one-year agreement.

He was a God-send in his first season, filling several defensive roles when the Glory desperately needed his no-nonsense approach and his strength in shielding the ball. This season, he has been allowed to develop his favourite anchor midfield-role to the extent that the team's engine-room component is one of the best in the NSL.

His other attribute is that he never seems to get injured. Or when he does, he makes rapid recoveries. The only games he has missed have been through suspension. His secret is that he looks after his body with the commitment of a professional tradesman. It's usually a toss-up as to whether Edgar or club captain Gareth Naven will be the last players to leave the training track. They always linger to do that little bit more, whether it's stretching or sharpening their ability to master the circle of trapped air that we call a football.

Edgar, like Naven and several others in the Glory squad, also seem to take a perverse enjoyment in punishing themselves that bit further even when Stange and assistant coach Mich d'Avray aren't cracking the whip during official training sessions.

The Brazilian says his favourite form of relaxation is to head for the beach at Scarborough or the nearest park with his wife Elisa and son Michael...and then try to catch the wind.

"I love to run and sprint," says Edgar, whose command of the English language was virtually non-existent when he arrived in Australia from Brazil. He can now more than hold his own in a free-flowing conversation. He doesn't need teammate Dion Valle to act as interpreter for him anymore, translating from their conversations in Spanish, which is not Edgar's native tongue.

"My English, it could be better...I keep working on it. But my wife...she is very good. She has studied since we've been here and can speak English perfectly. And Michael, he speaks Portuguese and English at home and a little bit English when he goes two days a week to kindergarten."

Even when he mixes with Brazilian and Portuguese friends in Perth, Edgar tries to speak as much English as possible. His shy smiles of acknowledgments, with no vocal accompaniments, have now been replaced with confident exchanges of "how are you?" when you meet this very likeable, and approachable, man.

The 26-year-old...he'll be 27 at the end of March...has slotted in so well to the Australian way of life that he says it will be difficult to return to his native Brazil when he completes his contract with the Glory.

"I don't know what I will do...I will have been gone so long that I think maybe they will have forgotten me," he says.

But at least two clubs still remember the midfielder, who previously played at a high level with Gremio.

"They rang my mum in Brazil in January and asked where I was...they didn't know I was in Australia," he said.

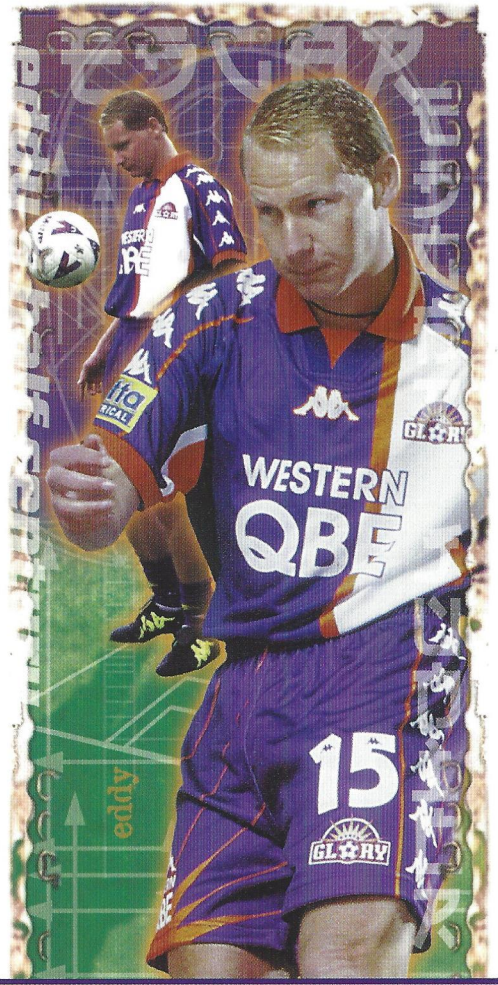
"They wanted to offer me contracts. They are good clubs, but I prefer to stay in Perth. Perth Glory is good and it is beautiful here.

"Also in Brazil sometimes you get no pay when the club does not get good results. You get money when you win, but sometimes not if you lose."

Edgar is confident the Glory can again make the play-offs this season.

"We are playing better as a team, as a unit," he said. "We are stronger, but I think we have to be strong for there are more good teams this year. South Melbourne and Marconi are much better than last year and Wollongong is good again. I think the top six will be very strong."

By Mel Moffat
of *The West Australian*



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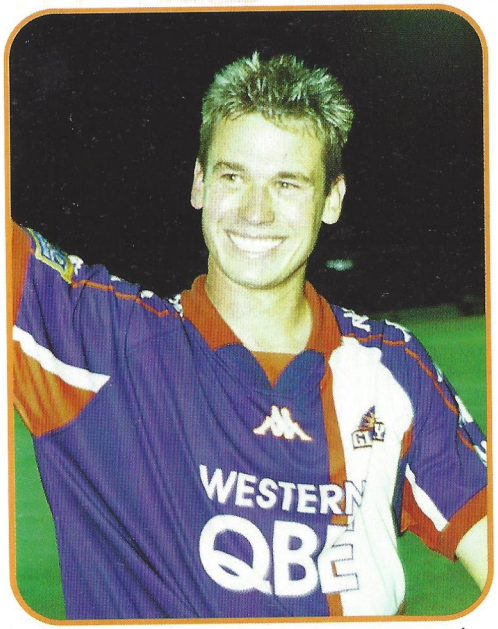

Jamie Harnwell was all smiles after his amazing equaliser against the Wolves.

PERTH GLORY 1 Harnwell 85

WOLLONGONG WOLVES 1 Horsley 50

Half-Time score 0-0

Yellow Cards-
Perth Glory - Brad Maloney
Wollongong Wolves - Stuart Young, Paul Reid, Paul Harries

Attendance- 16,019

Jamie Harnwell's spectacular 35-yard equaliser five minutes from time saved Perth Glory from more Wollongong heartbreak in an exciting grand final replay at our last home match. Matt Horsley put the visitors ahead after 50 minutes and, despite going close on several occasions, Bernd Stange's side looked destined to be thwarted by the Wolves again. Twice Damian Mori headed just wide in the opening 20 minutes and Gary Faria also had a penalty claim turned down by referee Mark Shield, while Scott Chipperfield fired just past Jason Petkovic's left upright from 20 yards close to half-time. Then five minutes after the break, Horsley stunned the huge crowd when he cut inside Alistair Edwards and blasted a left-foot shot past Petkovic from just inside the area. Glory skipper Gareth Naven came on for his first run since injuring himself in Round 7 and immediately forced Grant Barlow to make a smart save low to his right. The home side continued to pile on the pressure and Bobby Despotovski and Ljubo Milicevic both went close, before Naven headed wide from eight yards. John Carbone saw his looping header cleared off the line, then Harnwell's acrobatic overhead kick was superbly tipped behind for a corner. Eventually the deserved equaliser did come and it was worth waiting for. Harnwell picked up the ball just inside the Wollongong half and strode forward before blasting an unstoppable drive into the top left corner. The crowd sensed a dramatic late winner but it was the Wolves who almost took all three points with Chipperfield lobbing the ball over the advancing Petkovic, but also just over the crossbar in the final minute.

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Rob Trajkovski was carried from the ground on a stretcher with an ankle injury after being brought down in the 34th minute.

Edgar Junior put in yet another brilliant performance for the Glory, proving once again to be one of the team's best.

BEST FOR PERTH GLORY:
Edgar Junior, Bobby Despotovski, Kasey Wehrman, Jamie Harnwell

BERND STANGE'S THOUGHTS:
"I think both teams deserved a point - we played forward all game and the Wolves played excellent counter-attacks."
"At the end of the day, my team was running and fighting but we couldn't find our rhythm today."

Subs- Brad Maloney for Trajkovski (34 mins), Gareth Naven for Edwards (55 mins), John Carbone for Faria (81 mins)

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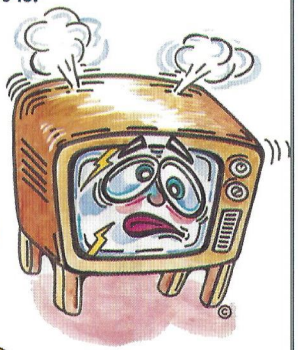

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Yellow Cards:

Perth Glory - Jamie Harnwell, Kasey Wehrman

South Melbourne - None

A second goal in as many weeks by defender Jamie Harnwell gave Perth Glory a well-earned point against league leaders South Melbourne in what could well have been a preview to the grand final itself. After Paul Trimboli had missed a penalty just after the break, former Glory hero turned villain Con Boutsianis opened the scoring for the home side after 56 minutes. But Harnwell capped an outstanding game with a brilliant header two minutes later to silence the big crowd. Another former Glory favourite Vas Kalogeracos had an early chance but his effort from a tight angle was well saved by Jason Petkovic, playing his 200th NSL match. Bobby Despotovski replied for the visitors with a header that was comfortably stopped by Michael Petkovic. Then following Perth's best move of the first half, the in-form striker saw his angled shot deflected just past the upright for a corner. Craig Deans also went close, his header sliding wide after he outjumped Petkovic to reach Kasey Wehrman's corner first. Just two minutes after the break, referee Brett Hugo stunned Bernd Stange's side by awarding a penalty for a foul by Ljubo Milicevic on Andy Vlahos. Replays showed the big defender clearly made contact with the ball but, for the second time this season, Souths missed a spot-kick against the Glory, Trimboli spraying his effort high and wide. However, Boutsianis made amends soon after, firing a low shot inside Petkovic's far post from an acute angle. The home fans were still celebrating when Harnwell got on the end of Wehrman's wonderful cross to head the equaliser. Milicevic sent a stinging long-range drive just wide, then Mori couldn't find the finish to complete a brilliant individual run, but in the end both teams seemed happy to come away with a point.

Best For Perth Glory: Jamie Harnwell, Jason Petkovic, Scott Miller, Kasey Wehrman

Bernd Stange's Reaction:

"The level of the game wasn't so good. First against second, I expected a little more class from both teams."

"At the end of the day, neither team deserved more than a point and the draw keeps the premiership race wide open."

Subs- Gareth Naven for Deans (half-time), Gary Faria for Maloney (66 mins) Alistair Edwards for Despotovski (85 mins)

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BOLTON STRENGTHENS OLYMPIC TIES

While reports of a likely association with Leeds United continuing to buzz around Sydney Olympic, the club received some mid-week joy, with the news that goalkeeper Clint Bolton has agreed to extend his contract for a further three years. The 195-match veteran of the NSL initially signed a one-year contract with a further one-year option, but Olympic have been so impressed with his form in the opening half of this campaign that Bolton became a key figure in the club's ambition to bring a title back to Olympic in the next couple of years.

MUNRO SET TO JOIN POWER

Stuart Munro is believed to be joining Parramatta Power's coaching staff. The former Carlton and Eastern Pride coach is a good friend of Power manager Dave Mitchell and is believed to have been invited to help the club out of its mini crisis. Munro, who won four Scottish Premier League championships with Glasgow Rangers between 1984 and 1991, also has plans to attend an official FIFA technical coaches conference in Malaysia later this year. Meantime, Dutch champions Feyenoord - first linked to a takeover of an Australian club four years ago - are believed to be close to buying a stake in Parramatta. Feyenoord football director Rob Baan was due to arrive in Australia any time to seal the deal. In other transfer news, defending premiers Wollongong Wolves hope to have signed former Carlton goalkeeper Dean Anastasiadis by this weekend.

ARCHIE STILL WAITING ON ANDERLECHT

Belgium club Anderlecht continue to express their enthusiasm for ex-Carlton and Marconi striker Archie Thompson, but the club's coaching team want to see the Australia Under-23 international in a match situation before offering him a deal. Thompson, who despite being plagued by niggling injuries since arriving in Belgium last week, has impressed Anderlecht officials during training, but failed to turn out for the club in a reserve fixture. Thompson returned to Sydney last week after a two-week trial, which was interrupted by poor weather. Anderlecht officials are believed to be travelling to Australia in the next few days to complete their assessment of the talented forward, who will remain with the Stallions for the remainder of the season regardless of whether he agrees to join the Belgian club or not.

SOCCER AUSTRALIA WELCOME GOOD NEWS

Despite the continuing scorn, Soccer Australia (SA) has found some joy after announcing an operating profit of $1 million over the last 12 months. The surplus comes despite missing out on two large payments from the Melbourne Knights and Carlton Soccer clubs. SA is believed to be still waiting for its $130,000 cut from the Knights for its share of Mark Viduka's latest transfer to Leeds United from Glasgow Celtic. The Knights have withheld the payment, arguing that SA is not entitled to anything after taking a slice of Viduka's initial transfer from his home-based club to Zagreb. SA has also missed out on a $250,000 bank guarantee from the cash-strapped Carlton club which collapsed after just eight rounds this season.

ARNIE QUITS SPIRIT

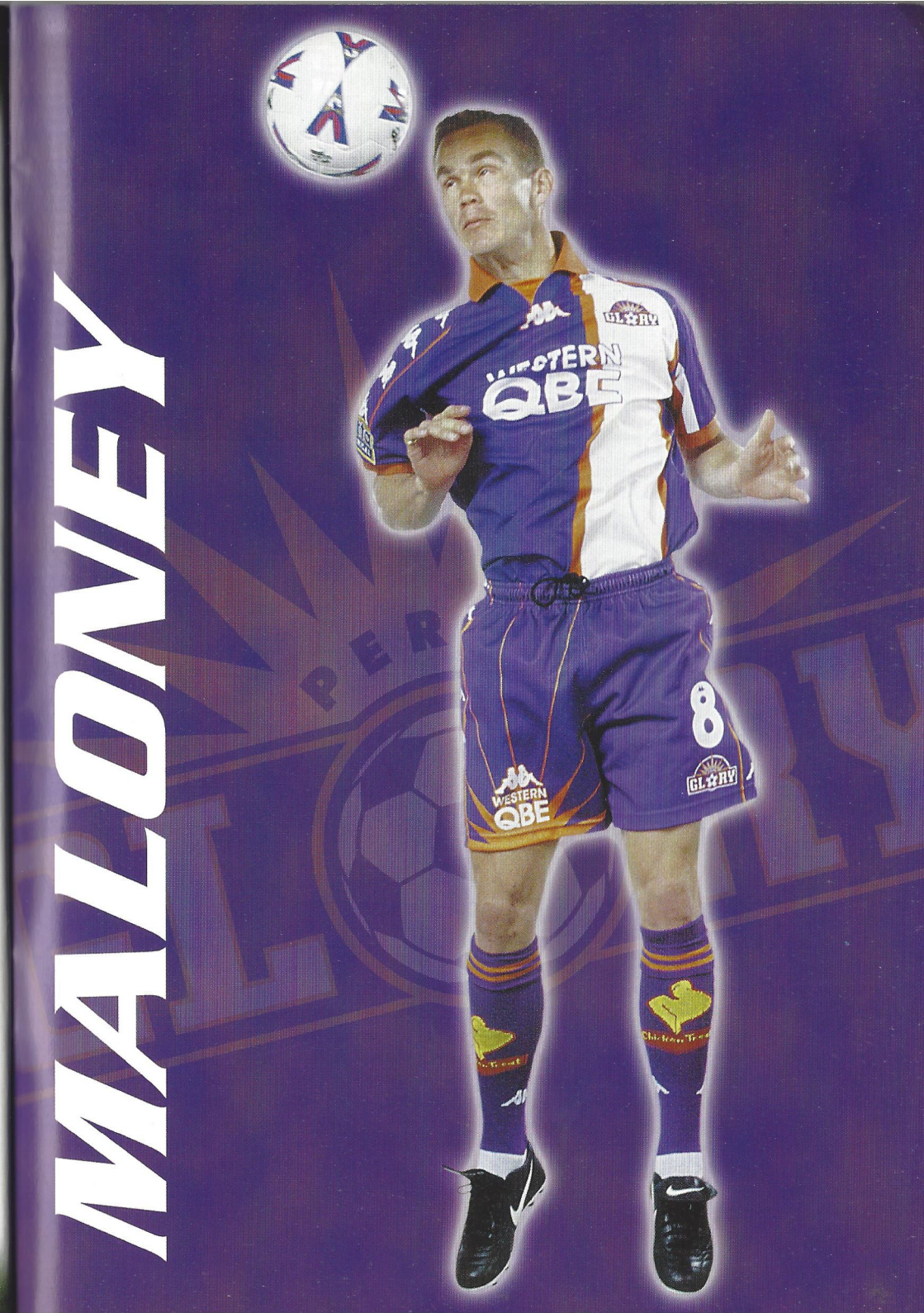
Soccer Australia last week announced the full-time appointment of Graham Arnold, to the position of Assistant Senior National Team Coach. Arnold, who has held the position on a part-time basis since September 1999, will take on the full-time role, under Frank Farina, immediately, leaving his position as coach of NSL club Northern Spirit. Australia's campaign for the 2002 World Cup hits full swing later this month when the Socceroos take on Mexico in California, followed by a full calendar of matches, consisting of qualifiers and friendlies. Arnold will also be available to assist with the two national youth teams, the Young Socceroos (U-20) and Joeys (U-17) as required.

PRIDE CLOSE TO SCHIAVELLO DEAL

Tony Schiavello is on the verge of buying Eastern Pride for a reported $1.5 million, well below the original asking price of $3 million. Schiavello met with club officials recently and remains keen to complete a deal as soon as possible. In other Pride news, long-serving midfielder Brian MacNicol has become the third player to walk out on the club after agreeing to play in the Victorian Premier League. MacNicol follows the exit of strikers Juan Nilo and Neville Roach. It was also revealed last weekend that former Carlton forward Mike Conroy missed his debut for Pride against the Kingz last week due to an administrative 'mistake'. Pride officials failed to get approval from the Immigration Department for Conroy to transfer his sportsman's visa in time.

KNIGHTS PLAN COLONIAL GAME

In what is being touted as a positive step forward, Melbourne Knights are bidding to stage the first soccer match at Colonial Stadium and hope to attract a crowd of more than 25,000 to the Round 20 game against fellow Melbourne club and current NSL leaders South Melbourne. It would be the third leg of a football extravaganza at the stadium with AFL clubs Essendon and Geelong playing an Ansett Australia Cup pre-season game on the Friday night and the Melbourne Storm taking on North Queensland in a second-round NRL premiership match on the Saturday night.



KINNEAR JOINS HATTERS

Luton Town have appointed former Wimbledon manager Joe Kinnear as their director of football. "I am delighted to be involved with Luton and believe the club has huge potential," said Kinnear, who quit a similar post at fellow English second division side Oxford United a week ago. At the time, the former Ireland and Tottenham Hotspur player said he wanted to take time out to look after his health and spend more time with his family. But last Wednesday, Kinnear set his sights on restoring the fortunes of Luton, who are currently languishing second from bottom in division two - one place above Oxford. "My role is to ensure that Luton's potential is realised on the field of play and that the club quickly regains some of the ground it has lost in recent years," he said. Kinnear's arrival leaves a question mark over the future of Luton's manager Lil Fuccillo, who took up his post last November. Kinnear (54) took up the post at Oxford last November after recovering from a heart attack in March 1999 which had forced him out of his managerial role at Wimbledon. He consolidated Wimbledon's status as a Premier League club in a seven-year stint as manager from 1992 to 1999.

NEW MUNICH STADIUM FOR 2006

Franz Beckenbauer, the chairman of the 2006 World Cup organising committee and Bayern Munich president has revealed a new stadium will be built in or near Munich in time for the 2006 World Cup. The announcement was reported to have been made with TSV 1860 Munich president Karl-Heinz Wildmoser and the town's mayor, Christian Ude. "We will build a new stadium and if the city has no ground for it, we will build it outside the city," Beckenbauer said. Munich needs a facility since a project to modernise the ageing Olympic Stadium, built for the 1972 Olympic Games and used for the 1974 World Cup Final, was unexpectedly withdrawn last September by the architects who had submitted it. Beckenbauer and Wildmoser have agreed their clubs would share the cost of a new, all-seater stadium with a 66,000 capacity, estimated at about 350 million marks (AU$303m). The stadium should be used by Bayern and fellow first division club TSV 1860, who both currently play their home matches at the Olympic Stadium. It will have to be completed by 2005 as Munich has been selected as a venue for the 2006 World Cup and should stage the opening game. The final will be played in Berlin's Olympic Stadium, currently undergoing a facelift.

CANTONA HITS OUT AT MODERN GAME

Manchester United legend Eric Cantona has launched a blistering attack on the state of modern football, saying that it is "turning into a mafia". Cantona was recently offered the chance to return to football by Marseille but explained that he felt no desire to return to the sport. "If one day I should return to soccer, it would mean it has changed," Cantona said. "I've been through the system. I left it because it was no longer similar to my vision of the game. Because of all the financial interests at stake, the sport is turning into a mafia. Like all soccer lovers, it makes me sorry."

RONALDO CAR-JACKED

Brazilian superstar Ronaldo was robbed at gunpoint by five youths last week in Rio de Janeiro. The Inter Milan and Brazil striker, was in South America recovering from a serious knee injury when he was ordered to hand over the keys of his BMW and left on the side of the road. A police spokesman confirmed a group of five youths, armed with pistols, blocked his path and demanded he get out before driving off in his car at around 10:00pm in the west of the city. The 24-year-old offered no resistance and was unhurt by the incident, but did suffer shock afterwards. The thieves were taken aback when they recognised the star forward but carried on regardless, although the car was recovered later that night, abandoned some miles away.

RADEBE'S ABOUT-TURN

Lucas Radebe will continue to play in key games for South Africa after deciding to postpone his international retirement. "I still dream of leading my country at the 2002 World Cup finals in Japan and South Korea," he said. Leeds United will have first option when fixture dates clash.

MAN UTD IN UNIQUE MARKETING DEAL

Manchester United, the world's richest soccer club, has recently signed a record marketing deal with the New York Yankees. The report said the deal has been a closely guarded secret but recently a New York lawyer who has been working on the joint venture leaked the news which made United part of the biggest sports marketing cartel in the world. United chief executive Peter Kenyon flew to New York on Tuesday to clinch the deal that will see United join a group which not only includes the Yankees baseball team, the richest in the world, but also Stanley Cup ice hockey champions the New Jersey Devils and the NBA's New Jersey Nets."

LUXEMBURGO TO LEAD CORINTHIANS

Disgraced former Brazil coach Wanderley Luxemburgo agreed to rejoin Corinthians last week, his first appointment since he was dismissed by the national team last September after disappointing results and accusations of unlawful conduct. Luxemburgo, who is still one of the key figures in a congressional commission of inquiry investigating suspected mismanagement and corruption in Brazilian football, rejoins the club he led to the Brazilian championship title in 1998. The announcement was made on the web site of the Sao Paulo-based club, the second most popular in the nation. Luxemburgo, who also admitted to police last year that he used a forged birth certificate throughout his career and is really three years older than he previously claimed, officially took over last Tuesday. He replaces Uruguayan-born Dario Pereira, dismissed at the weekend after only six games and two months in charge of the volatile club where success is demanded overnight. He becomes the club's sixth coach in less than a year.

ITALIAN PASSPORT FRAUD DEEPENS

Two Brazilian players at Italian first division club Vicenza were last week named as part of a expanding inquisition into the alleged use of false documents to obtain European Union status. The Italian Football Federation said it had referred the cases of Jeda and Dede, young Brazilians who joined Vicenza at the start of this season, to its disciplinary committee. It said the players had "used false Portuguese passports with the illicit aim of joining the club on the basis of EU status to which they are not entitled". Jeda joined Vicenza from Brazilian club Uniao Sao Joao last year and has played twice in the first team, including last weekend's home defeat against Udinese. Dede joined from Brazil's Campinas and has yet to make his Serie A debut. He is currently back at Campinas on loan. Vicenza said neither they nor the players were to blame. ANSA news agency said last Monday the magistrates were investigating 24 players at first division clubs Udinese, AC Milan, Bari, Inter Milan, AS Roma, Parma and Napoli. Meanwhile, four England-based Socceroos will be investigated as part of a combined British Government and Football Association probe into illegal passports.As the scandal into illegal passports for non-European Union footballers widens from France and Italy to England, the FA and the Government announced 21 premiership footballers would be investigated, including four Australians - John Aloisi, Danny Tiatto, Paul Okon and Mark Schwarzer. The first three hold dual Australian-Italian nationality, while Schwarzer has an Australian and a German passport.

TICKET ROW SETTLED

Japan moved to end a dispute with South Korea early last week over whose name should go first on printed matter for the 2002 World Cup finals, saying it will print Korea before Japan in all official documents in English. Although the event's official title is the "2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan", Japan had incensed South Korea with plans to print 'Japan' before 'Korea' on ticket applications for the finals and use the word 'Japan' before 'Korea' in official documents in Japanese. The official said Japan had made a last minute decision to delete 'Japan' and 'Korea' written in the Japanese language on the ticket application guide for domestic use after receiving "guidance" from FIFA. Despite triggering the row, an official of JAWOC, the Japanese organising committee for the finals, told Reuters: "We have never changed, tried to change and will never change the official title. We accept the official title decided by FIFA as a matter of course." Seoul will stage the opening match and Yokohama the final match of the competition. While "Korea/Japan" was printed in English on top of the ticket application guide released by the Japanese organisers last week, the official name of the event was written in Japanese as "2002 FIFA World Cup". The controversy comes as both sides prepare to start printing tickets, which are set to go on sale on February 15.

CHELSEA BOSS DEFENDS SEAT PRICES

Chelsea chairman Ken Bates was forced to defend ticket prices for the new West Stand at Stamford Bridge, where fans could be paying 197 pounds (AU$523) per match next season. An adult season ticket for the new stand will cost a maximum of 3,750 pounds ($9,960) but if Chelsea fail to qualify for European competition this season, holders will see just 19 Premier League games for their money. "It's not just the wealthy that can afford such prices. We have executive club members who used to stand in the rain in the old Shed," Bates said. "It doesn't follow that the working class sit in the cheapest seats, because most corporate hospitality comprises working guys that have made money." The 75-million pound ($199m) redevelopment of the West Stand includes 17 new boxes priced at one million pounds ($2.7m) each for a 10-year period. Last month, Chelsea announced the second-biggest sponsorship deal in English football, a three-year tie-up with Dubai-based airline United Arab Emirates worth 24 million pounds ($64m).

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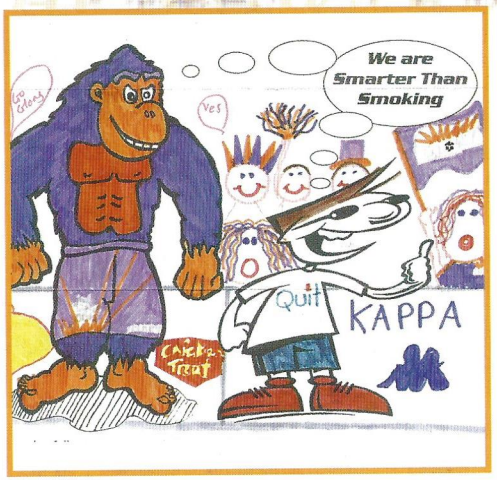


Colouring in Competition

Congratulations to Natalie Perrott of Woodvale who won the Quit Smarter Than Smoking colouring in competition. Natalie's beautiful effort was one of over 400 entries received and for her artistic talent, she received a Sony CD Discman. There were also 10 runners-up prizes of Glory Packs, thanks to Quit, that included general admission Glory tickets, a Quit cap, Smarter Than Smoking stickers, Glory posters and Smarter Than Smoking pens.

Please Consider

Perth Glory would like to remind supporters sitting on the bench seats in the Mazda and Members Stands that seating there is not reserved. At recent matches some supporters have been arriving early and throwing blankets or rugs over seats and "holding" them for friends, thereby stopping other fans from having a seat. By all means, come along early but please remember for the courtesy of fellow supporters, seats in these stands are limited so please refrain from reserving them. The simple solution is to bring the whole group early, grab your seats and sit back and enjoy the great pre-match entertainment.

See The Glory Live - In Scotland!

Staunch Perth Glory Golden Member Rocco Iannola received an interesting phone call from his mate John Howieson recently. Mr Howieson resides in Como but was holidaying in Scotland at the time when he told his good buddy he'd just finished watching Perth's game on a pay-TV station. Now, we know there's a Perth in Scotland but this was Perth Glory and he'd just witnessed the 7-2 drubbing of Brisbane Strikers. Ironic that he saw the entire game in full some 12,000 miles away, yet thousands of soccer fans in Australia and particularly WA, barely even saw 60 seconds of footage on the local TV news.

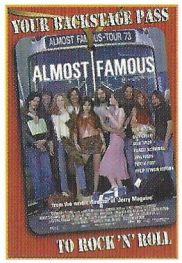
Take Two

After a false start at our last home game when one of the Perth Glory Western QBE Airboards played up, the two contestants that were left high and dry that day, will do battle during the break in today's match. Mark Smith was drawn from the people who rang Western QBE for a no-obligation free quote, while Paul Rodgers was picked from the crowd at half-time by Glory Gorilla during the Round 13 game against Brisbane.

CP United?

Soccer fans in WA have heard of Manchester United, Newcastle United, Sydney United and even Inglewood United...but CP United? Well, if the people at the Cerebral Palsied Sport and Recreation Association have their way, that might all change. Although CP stands for cerebral palsey, people of all ages and with a whole range of disabilities play for CP United and have been now for several years. The club play matches at Yokine Reserve on Saturdays between 3:30pm and 5:00pm, with the season starting in mid-March and running through to September. The trouble is, the club have the goals, markers and all the other soccer equipment needed, but they are desperately searching for a coach and badly need more players. They are also interested in affiliating with an established local soccer club. The association would love to hear from anyone who could help in any of these areas and you can contact Jan on 9387 7763 or e-mail johnbill@iinet.au

Original Fans Almost Famous



A reminder to fans who have been Glory members or season ticket holders since the club's inception five years ago that the special commemorative function is on Monday February 12. The movie "Almost Famous" will be screened at Cinema City and there will be cocktail drinks afterwards with the players. Don't forget to bring your tickets as proof of entry.

Are You The Face Of Perth Glory

Have you ever had a secret desire to see yourself on TV? Well you might just have made it thanks to Perth Glory and Channel 7. Keep an eye out for the spectacular new Glory commercial which will be featured for the remainder of the season. It's full of great action and crowd shots and it could be you that's covered in Glory.

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You might not make the Glory bench but anyone can win a spot on the Harvey Fresh bench. Each home game Harvey Fresh will give away one double pass to enjoy the Glory's match from their own bench. All you have to do to enter is write on the back of an envelope who you think will score Perth Glory's FIRST goal at our next home game against Eastern Pride on February 24, along with your name and phone number. All correct entries will go into a draw and the winner will be drawn out and notified. In the event that no correct entry is drawn the prize will be awarded to the first incorrect entry.

Susan Phillips chose Jamie Harnwell as our first goal scorer at our last home game against Wollongong Wolves.

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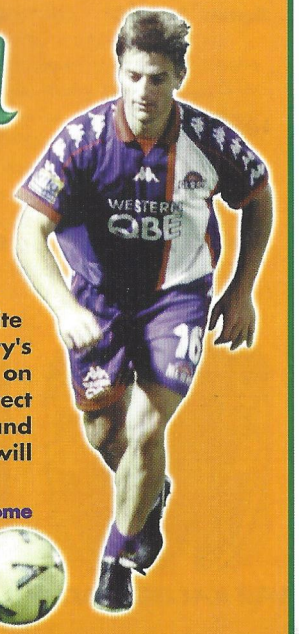

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Perth Glory are now in their fifth season and although we've seen many players move on for various reasons during that time, it's always nice to follow the progress of former players. "Where are they now?" provides an update on some of these players who are still playing in the NSL or overseas.

Danny HAY
- Was not in the Leeds United squad that lost 2-0 at home to Liverpool in the fourth round of the FA Cup on January 27, nor in the sides that beat Coventry 1-0 and Ipswich 2-1 on January 31 or February 3 respectively.

Ivan ERGIC
- The Swiss first division is currently in recess and Ergic and FC Basel played a series of friendlies in Oman, with Ergic playing a full game last weekend against Russian side Anzhi Mahachkala and scoring his side's third goal in a 3-1 win.

Danny MILOSEVIC
- Like Hay, was not included in the Leeds side that went down to Liverpool in the FA Cup, nor in the club's two recent victories.

Troy HALPIN
- Round 16: Played a full game for Sydney Olympic and received a yellow card in their 1-0 loss away to Football Kingz.
  Round 17: Was replaced in injury-time for Sydney Olympic and picked up a yellow card in his side's 2-1 win at home against Northern Spirit.

Con BOUTSIANIS
- Round 16: Started the match for South Melbourne and was replaced after 65 minutes in their 1-0 win at home to Adelaide City Force.
  Round 17: Played a full game for Souths and scored their goal in the 1-1 draw at home to Perth Glory

Vas KALOGERACOS
- Round 16: Played a full game for South Melbourne in their 1-0 win against the Force.
  Round 17: Started the match for Souths against his former side but limped off with a hamstring injury early in the first half.

James AFKOS
- Round 16: Was not in the Marconi Stallions side that beat Parramatta Power 2-1 at home due to illness.
  Round 17: Played a full game for the Stallions in their 2-1 win away to Canberra Cosmos.

Hamilton THORP
- Round 16: Came on in the second half for Parramatta Power, scored his team's only goal and picked up a yellow card as his side lost 2-1 away to Marconi.
  Round 17: Was replaced after 73 minutes and picked up a yellow card for the Power in their 3-1 loss at home to Melbourne Knights.

Vasko TRPCEVSKI
- Round 16: Missed Newcastle United's 1-0 win at home to fellow strugglers Eastern Pride through suspension.
  Round 17: Was not in the Newcastle side that drew 0-0 away to Brisbane Strikers.

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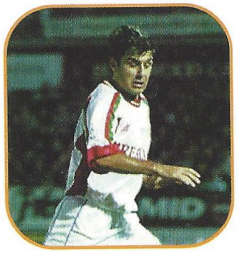
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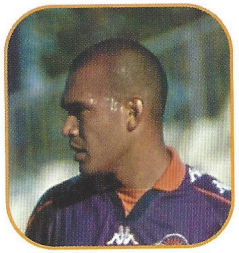
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THE GLORY GAZETTE

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Guest writer David Mitchell.

Since arriving in Australia from England in 1998, I have only missed three Glory home games, but the one that still sends shivers down my spine even now is the 2-0 win over Wollongong Wolves in the 1999/2000 Major Semi-Final. I was at the WACA the previous year when the Glory had its first taste of finals action, but the joy of those victories over Adelaide and Marconi was tempered by the knowledge that the Glory could not win the championship on home soil. This time a home grand final beckoned.

Not that it would be easy. The nerves were starting even as I boarded the bus at Murdoch with my fiancee and her family, all of us season ticket holders. A few Shed songs on the bus helped raise the excitement levels, but the real buzz came on our arrival at the ground. The atmosphere inside Subiaco Oval was electrifying, the roar generated by over 43,000 fans at kick-off just a taste of what was to follow. Even at that stage, it was a truly memorable night as no-one would have ever believed that a soccer match in WA could attract such an audience. But the tension was unbearable. The Glory had a 1-0 first-leg deficit to overcome and tore into the Wolves early on, but the occasion was obviously affecting the players and quality football was scarce. As over 80 nail-biting minutes sped by, I began to fear the worst as the Glory seemed unlikely to break down Wollongong's defensive resistance. An eerie silence had begun to descend upon the oval when suddenly, after an error-ridden period of play, substitute Ivan Ergic was brought down in the box. An expectant crowd leapt into life but I was almost too nervous to shout. It was Rob Trajkovski to take the kick and he hadn't been in that situation many times before. However, I should never have doubted him as he confidently slammed the ball into the net. The relief in the crowd's roar was tangible.

Once that initial breakthrough had been made, I was certain that the Glory would go on to win. The

Wolves had offered little attacking threat and suddenly Perth were playing with confidence and verve. It came as no surprise when, just minutes into sudden death extra-time they put together the best move of the match. Ergic, surely his best performance in the purple shirt, played a one-two with Aurelio and slotted the ball neatly home for an incredible winner. This time the crowd really let themselves go. I was standing on my seat screaming not through nerves this time, nor relief, but pure, unadulterated joy!

Through supporting Ipswich Town in England, I have been to many great games, many big grounds. I've been amongst 45,000 fans at Anfield holding their scarves aloft and singing "You'll Never Walk Alone". But, for me, the atmosphere inside Subi Oval that night ranks alongside the best of them. And when soccer's undoubted popularity in Australia is finally reflected in NSL attendances on a weekly basis, then maybe we will remember that night of May 27, 2000 as the turning point.

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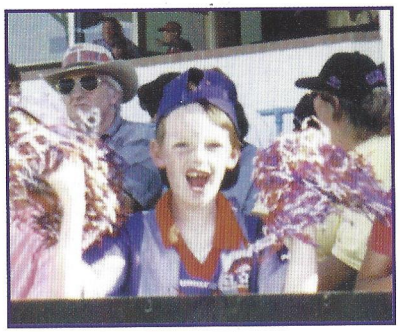


1-2 Glory are true
3-4 Glory open the door
5-6 Glory can do lots of tricks
7-8 Glory open the gate
9-10 Glory wins again

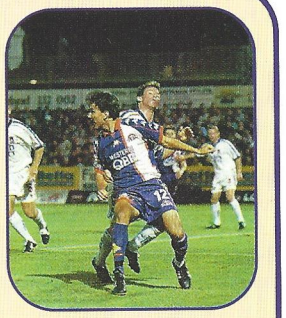
Stuart Muldoon (9)
Peters Glory Squad member

Dear Glory Mailbag,
Me and my friends have been to every Glory home game this season and even a few of the training sessions. We have also been to one of the sausage sizzles and had a chance to meet the Glory players and we all think PJ is so cool. He is really, really friendly and always talks to everyone for ages. He is also a really excellent player and we can't understand why he never gets a game for the Glory. Even my dad thinks he is unlucky and has done some very good things when he has had a chance. I also love reading PJ's column in "Party With PJ" - it is really amusing and is one of the first things I read each time I get a programme.

From a huge PJ fan

Unfortunately, the CD for PJ to review didn't arrive in time for this week's programme, but he will definitely be back for our next programme - Ed

QUIZ

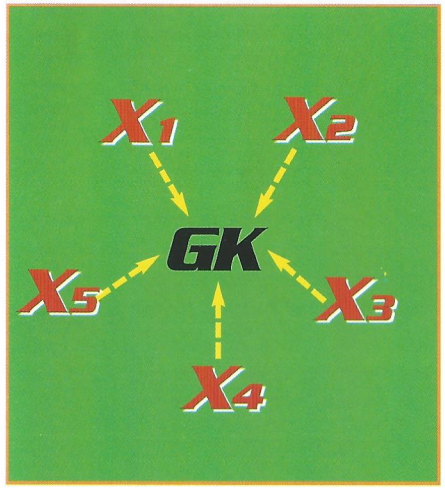


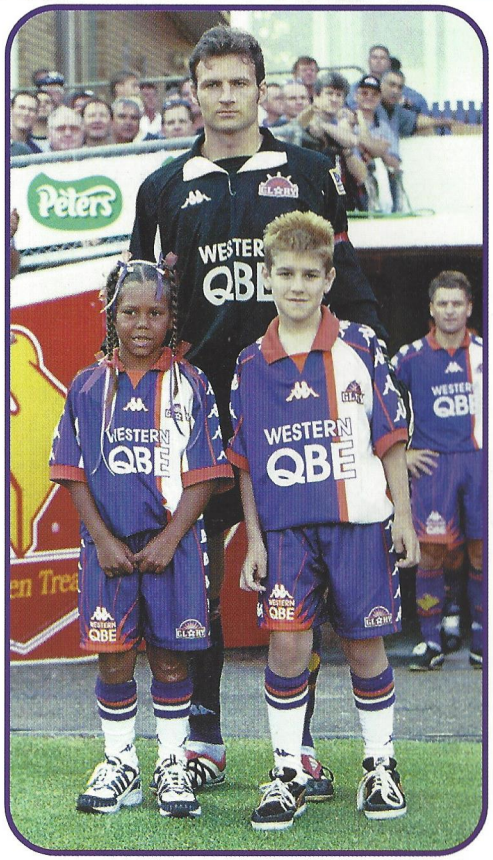
1. How many teams were in the NSL in the Glory's inaugural season?
2. Which NSL club is Peter Buljan on loan to from the Glory?
3. What number did Craig Naven wear for the Glory?
4. Jamie Harnwell has scored the Glory's last two goals,. Who scored their previous one?
5. How many goals did Alistair Edwards score last season to be the club's joint top goalscorer?
6. Who won the last NSL pre-season knock-out cup? (it was the year the Glory entered the league)
7. Who did Francis Awaritefe play for before he joined Sydney United?
8. Which country does AC Milan super-striker Andriy Shevchenko play for?
9. Who is the coach of the Australian Under-20 side?
10. Which Dutch first division club does Zeljko Kalac play for?

Answers on page 46

SMARTER THAN SMOKING SOCCER SKILLS WITH MICH d' AVRAY

An exercise for goalkeepers. There are 5 servers (**X**) each with a ball. The **GK** stands in the middle. **X1** volleys the ball out of his hands to the **GK** who catches the ball and throws it back to **X1**. The **GK** turns and faces **X2** who does the same as **X1** and so on. The volley from the server, and the throw from the must be accurate.





MASCOTS

Our lucky mascots at our last home game against Wollongong Wolves were Kendell Councillor (Peters Glory Squad) and Sam Bretnall (Chicken Treat) pictured here with Jason Petkovic.

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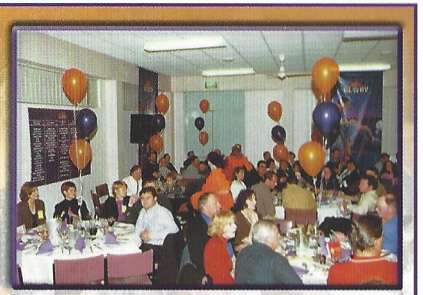

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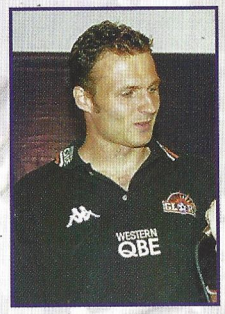
Sony Man Of The Match

Kasey Wehrman continued his exceptional form since returning from trials in Europe with his second Sony Man of the Match performance in as many home games. Once again, the Socceroo was the lynchpin of the Glory midfield, showing plenty of bustle and strength when it was needed, but also providing the class, vision and distribution that made him one of the league's hottest properties when he first signed for the Glory.

Petkovic Reaches 200 In Quick Time



Congratulations to Jason Petkovic who played his 200th NSL match last weekend, ironically against South Melbourne, where of course his brother Michael plays in goal. In fact, his younger sibling is probably the only custodian in the league who could genuinely challenge Jason for the mantle of the best Aussie keeper currently playing in this country. Petkovic made his NSL debut on January 30 1994. He took just seven years and five days to reach his double century. Only two other players have reached the milestone quicker - Milan Ivanovic (six years and 316 days), and Paul Trimboli (six years and 321 days). For a big man, the Glory number one has remarkable reflexes and with two NSL Goalkeeper of the Season awards already in his safekeeping (1997 and 1998), it would be a brave person to bet against him making that three this season.

Edgar's Half Century Of Glory

Congratulations also to Edgar Junior who made his 50th NSL and Perth Glory appearance in the 1-1 draw against South Melbourne last round. The Glory haven't always had the best of returns from their overseas recruits but in Eddy, they've certainly uncovered a gem. Never has the term "Steady Eddy" been so appropriate, as the Brazilian's consistency is amazing - his form only ranges from outstanding to very outstanding, whether playing as sweeper, a central defender or in his preferred midfield position.

Congratulations To Brad Maloney

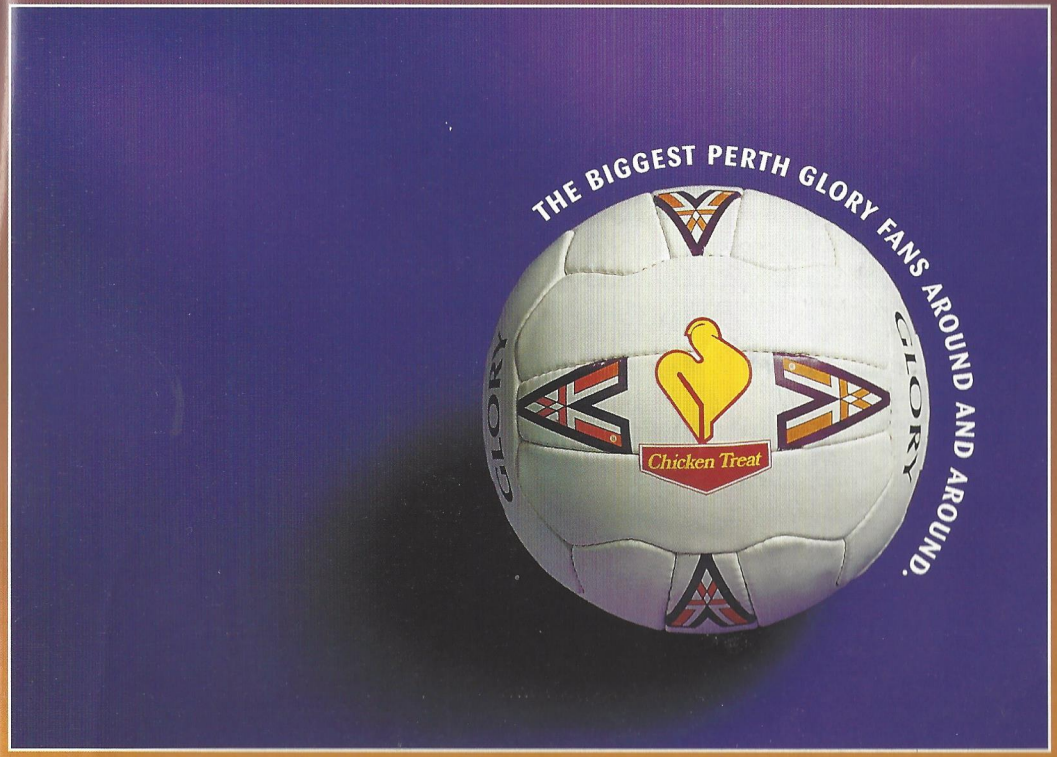
And still on personal milestones, congratulations to Brad Maloney who will make his 250th NSL appearance in tonight's match. The 29-year-old has been one of the stars of the league over the past few seasons and won the NSL Player of the Year award in 1998/99 while playing for Marconi. For an attacking midfielder, he has a fantastic goalscoring record, having found the back of the net 65 times, including one for the Stallions against the Glory.

History In The Making?

After understandably taking a bit of time to develop their partnership, Damian Mori and Bobby Despotovski have formed the most potent strikeforce in the NSL. And after already scoring eight goals this term, Despotovski is on the brink of creating a little piece of Glory history. He has already scored 50 NSL goals (58 in total) but needs just two more to become the first player to reach the half-century for the Perth club.

Premiership Hopes Are Far From Over

The race for the premiership is certainly not over, despite last week's 1-1 draw against South Melbourne leaving the Glory six points adrift of the current leaders. In fact, the reigning premiers are actually no further behind the top side in terms of points than they were at the same stage last season. But Bernd Stange's class of 2000/01 are well ahead of last season's performances in almost every other aspect, at least statistically speaking. After 17 games last campaign, the Glory were sitting in fourth spot, six points behind then leaders Wollongong, with a total of 29 points, having scored 31 goals and conceded 22. So far this term they've accumulated 32 points in 17 outings and have found the back of the net four more times (37) and let in five fewer goals (17).

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

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